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BANKERS AND DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES,

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The remarkable success which attended our negotiation of the Loans of the CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY and the WESTERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, and the popularity and credit which those Loans have maintained in the markets, both in this country and Europe, have shown that the First Mortgage Bonds of widely-located and honestly managed Railroads are promptly recognized and readily taken as the most reliable, safe, and advantageous form of investment, yielding a more liberal income than can be derived from Government Bonds, and available to take their place.

Assured that, in the selection and negotiation of superior Railroad Loans, we are meeting a great public want, and rendering a valuable public service—both to the holders of Capital seeking for them great national works of internal improvement whose intrinsic merit and substantial character entitle them to the care of Capital and the confidence of investors—we now offer with general satisfaction the

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

OF THE

Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company.

THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD, connecting the Atlantic coast and the magnificent harbors of the Chesapeake Bay with the Ohio River at a point of reliable navigation, and thus, with the entire railroad system and water transportation of the great West and Southwest, FORMS THE ADDITIONAL EAST AND WEST TRUNK LINE, so imperatively demanded for the accommodation of the immense and rapidly growing transportation between the Atlantic seaboard and Europe on the one hand and the great producing regions of the Ohio and Mississippi Valleys on the other.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS ROAD AS A NEW OUTLET FROM THE WEST TO THE SEA suggests it into one of national consequence, and insures to it an extensive through traffic from the day of its completion; while, in the development of the extensive agricultural and mineral resources of Virginia and West Virginia, it possesses, along its such line, the elements of a large and profitable local business.

Upon the great interests, both general and local, which demand the completion of the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD to the Ohio River, afford the most positive guarantee of its successful issue, and

Render it the Most Important and Substantial Railroad Enterprise now in Progress in this Country.

Its capability as an East and West route, and the promise of an immense and profitable trade awaiting its completion, have drawn to it the attention and co-operation of prominent capitalists, and railroad men of this City, of sound judgment and known integrity, whose connection with it, together with that of eminent citizens and business men of Virginia and West Virginia, insures an energetic, upright and successful management.

The Road is completed and in operation from Richmond to the celebrated White Sulphur Springs of West Virginia, 127 miles, and there remain but 30 miles (now partially completed) to be completed, to carry it to the greatest fertility on the Ohio River at or near the mouth of the Big Sandy River, 195 miles above Cincinnati and 300 miles below Pittsburgh. Lines are now projected or in progress through Ohio and Kentucky to this point, which will connect the

Chesapeake and Ohio with the Railroad Systems of the West, North and South-west, and with the Pacific Railroad.

The valuable franchise and superior advantages will place the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY among the richest and most powerful and trustworthy corporations of the country;

And there Exists a Present Value, in Completed Road and Work Done, Equal to the Entire Amount of the Mortgage.

The details of the Loan have been arranged with special reference of the wants of all classes of investors, and combine the various features of convenience, safety and protection against loss or fraud.

The Bonds are in denominations of

$1,000, $500 and $100.

They will be issued as Coupon Bonds, payable to bearer, and may be held in that form; or

The Bond may be registered in the name of the owner, with the coupons remaining payable to bearer attached, the principal being then transferable only on the books of the Company, unless reassigned to bearer; or

The coupons may be detached and canceled, the Bond made a PERMANENT REGISTERED BOND, transferable only on the books of the Company, and the interest made payable only to the registered owner or his attorney.

The three classes OF BONDS will be known respectively as:

1. "Coupon Bonds payable to Bearer."
2. "Registered Bonds with Coupons attached."
3. "Registered Bonds with Coupons detached."

and should be so designated by correspondents in specifying the class of Bonds desired.

They have THIRTY YEARS to run from January 25, 1870, with interest at six per cent. per annum from Nov. 1, 1869. PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

The interest is payable in May and November, that is may take the place of that of the earlier issues of Five-sixths, and suit the convenience of our friends who already hold Central and Western Pacific Bonds, with interest payable in January and July, and who may desire, in making additional investments, to have their interest receivable at different seasons of the year.

The Loan is secured by a mortgage upon the entire Line of Road from Richmond to the Ohio River, with the equipment and other property and appurtenances connected therewith.

A Sinking Fund of $100,000

PER ANNUM IS PROVIDED FOR THE REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS, TO TAKE EFFECT ONE YEAR AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE ROAD.

The mortgage is for $15,000,000, of which $2,000,000 will be reserved and held in trust for the redemption of outstanding Bonds of the VIRGINIA CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, now merged in the CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO.

Of the remaining $13,000,000 a sufficient amount will be sold to complete the Road to the Ohio River, perfect and improve the portion now in operation, and thoroughly equip the whole for a large and active traffic.

The present price is 90 and accrued interest.

A Loan so amply secured, so carefully guarded, and so certain hereafter to command a premium place among the favorite securities in the markets, both of this country and Europe, will be at once appreciated and quickly absorbed.

Very respectfully,

FISK & HATCH,

Bankers.

P. S.—We have issued pamphlets containing full particulars, statistical details, maps, &c., which will be furnished upon application.

☞ We buy and sell Government Bonds, and receive the accounts of Banks, Bankers, Corporations and others, subject to check at sight, and allow interest on daily balances.

CONGRESS.

The Colored Member Admitted to His Seat in the Senate.

An Interesting Scene When the Oath was Administered.

His Place on the Republican Side.

Debate in the House on the Indian Question.

GENERAL SHERIDAN HARSHLY CRITICISED

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Mr. REVELS, the colored Senator from Mississippi, was sworn in and admitted to his seat this afternoon at 4:40 o'clock. There was not an inch of standing or sitting room in the galleries, so densely were they packed; and to say that the interest was intense gives but a faint idea of the feeling which pervaded throughout the entire proceeding. Mr. VICKERS, of Maryland, opened the debate to-day, arguing against the admission, on the ground that REVELS had not been a citizen for nine years, and therefore was not eligible. Mr. WILSON followed on the other side, and was succeeded by Mr. CAMERON, who took a new departure and arraigned the entire reconstruction policy, charging that all the Southern Senators were put in their seats by the force of the bayonets of the regular army. This aroused Mr. DRAKE to a white heat, and provoked him to utter remarks and to make personal allusions to Mr. CAMERON which were certainly in bad taste, and in no way pertinent to the subject before the body. Mr. SUMNER made the closing speech for the Republican side of the question. It was brief, pithy and eloquent. Then came Mr. STOCKTON in defence of his party. He was boisterous and commonplace, and his speech was much better suited to the stump than to the Senate. He argued in favor of his motion to refer the credentials to the Judiciary Committee, which was promptly negatived by a party vote. The question was then put on the admission, which was passed by the same strict drawing of the party lines. Only one thing remained, which was that the first colored Senator elect should advance to the Speaker's desk and be sworn. The Vice-President made the announcement in the galleries that all demonstrations of approval or disapproval would be promptly suppressed. There had been through the debate one or two such demonstrations, once from the Republican side, when Mr. SCOTT, in reply to Mr. BAYARD, declared that he abandoned the Democratic Party when it raised its hand in rebellion, and again when Mr. STOCKTON prophesied that the Democracy would soon control national affairs. In view of these facts, Mr. COLFAX's announcement was somewhat necessary. When the Vice-President uttered the words, "The Senator elect will now advance and take the oath," a pin might have been heard drop. But as Senator WILSON rose in his seat and stepped to the lounge immediately behind the desk, where Mr. REVELS was sitting, to escort that gentleman to the Speaker's desk, the galleries rose to their feet, that they might miss no word or lose no glimpse of what was being enacted below. The ceremony was very short. Mr. REVELS showed no embarrassment whatever, and his demeanor was as dignified as could be expected under the circumstances. The abuse which had been poured upon him and on his race during the last two days might well have shaken the nerves of any one. The vast throng in the galleries showed no sign of feeling one way or the other, and left very quietly.

THE INDIAN QUESTION.

Mr. HARLAN in the Senate this morning called up a bill relative to the purchase of some lands from the Osage Indians by the United States Government, which led to some discussion on the Indian question. Mr. HARLAN asserted that much as has been said about the change of our Indian policy there is no change whatever, and has been none since the foundation of the Government, the effort being now as then to get the Indians on limited reservations. The bill in question excited the suspicions of Mr. DRAKE, who went to work to find out all about it, and elicited in debate the facts that the number of acres which were to be disposed of by the innocuous-looking bill, was over 8,000,000, and the price to be paid to the Indians for them twenty cents per acre. If the Government should become the purchaser, as contemplated by the bills the next thing we shall hear of them will be a proposition to give them in alternate sections to a railroad company.

THE APPROPRIATION BILLS.

The Legislative and Executive Appropriation bills, which has been so long before the House, was disposed of to-day, so that there is one tiresome and ugly measure out of the way. The annual fight over the Bureau of Education was renewed, on which the yeas and nays were called. The amendment to continue the Bureau, and make the appropriation for the salaries of its officers, was passed by an overwhelming vote. A division was also called on the appropriation for the Cason City Mint, which was also agreed to, and the bill as amended in the Committee of the Whole was then passed.

THE CADET INVESTIGATION.

The cadet investigation was continued to-day by the Military Committee. The case principally examined into was that of Mr. GOLLADAY of Kentucky, who is alleged to have sold his appointment to Mr. HOLDEN, of New-York. HOLDEN was recalled to-day and examined at great length on the subject. Two other witnesses were also before the Committee in reference to other appointments. The resolution which passed the House to-day directing the Military Committee to inquire whether any officer of the army and navy recommended the appointment by a Congressman of a boy, a non-resident in the Congressional District to which the appointment is credited, is intended to meet one or two of the cases now under investigation. It is charged that a prominent military and a distinguished naval officer made recommendations of this character.

CONGRESS NEXT WEEK.

Both Houses have adjourned over to Monday. The Military Committee of the House will probably have some fresh sensations by that time, and it is not improbable that the report on the gold speculations in New-York may also be presented early in the week. In the Senate the Funding bill will claim attention, unless the admission of General AMES, which is a privileged question, should lead to protracted debate.

MEEting CALLED ON GENERAL BUTLER'S FRIENDS.

Mr. BENJAMIN F. BUTLER and his friends, among whom there is not a single newspaper man, have some sensation in store for the world to-morrow evening. The following notice appeared in a local paper this morning, and the object and occasion of the meeting which it calls is a matter of some speculation here this evening:

"The friends of Hon. BENJAMIN F. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, will hold a meeting at Union League Hall, at 8 o'clock on Saturday evening, 26th inst. Hon. HENRY WILSON, of Massachusetts; Hon. HORACE MAYNARD, of Tennessee; Hon. THOS. S. DURANT, of Louisiana, and other gentlemen will address the meeting. An invitation is extended to the members of the Union League and all other Republicans to be present."

IN THE HOUSE.

There was barely a quorum present in the House to-day, and the proceedings throughout were as dull and uninteresting as they were exciting on the two preceding days. A long speech was made on Indian affairs by Mr. SARGENT, and that was almost the only noteworthy topic of the day. Mighty vacant seats testified to the fact that the attractions of Her British Majesty's ship Monarch at Annapolis were greater than the dull routine of legislation.

THE DISABILITY BILL.

The object of Mr. WILSON yesterday in moving the reconsideration of the Disability bill was to prevent the pardoning of ex-Senator CLINGMAN, of North Carolina, who left the Senate previous to the outbreak of the war, and whose name got into the bill in some unaccountable manner. A motion will be made to strike out CLINGMAN's name, which will of course prevail, and the remainder of the little bill will be allowed to slip through.

THE GOLD CONSPIRACY.

The Banking and Currency Committee are now engaged in making up their report on the New-York speculations. Some of the main points were agreed to to-day, but the subject will be further considered to-morrow. There is no doubt whatever that the Administration will be thoroughly vindicated in the matter.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE MINT AND ASSAY OFFICE.

In response to a resolution of the Senate, the Secretary of the Treasury has transmitted to that body copies of the report of Special Agent Hon. H. R. LINDERMAN, upon the Branch Mint in San Francisco, and of Messrs. LINDERMAN and JOHN JAY KNOX upon the Assay Office in New-York, so far as the same related to assaying and refining. The report of Mr. LINDERMAN gives a detailed description of the processes of melting and refining used in the mint and its branches, and adduces many considerations to show the desirability of excluding the work of refining from the mints and leaving it to private enterprise. The improved and cheaper sulphuric acid process used by private establishments, it is stated, cannot be introduced in mints located in the heart of cities, on account of its offensive character and the large space that it requires. The abolition of all charges on all coinage is also strongly recommended as a means of encouraging coinage and checking the exportation of bullion, which has now a greater commercial value than it possesses for coinage at the mints. Various objections against the policy above indicated are met and answered by arguments and illustration. In regard to the New-York Assay Office, Special Agents LINDERMAN and KNOX recommend that the business of refining be continued in that establishment by means of the new sulphuric acid process, as there is sufficient room for it, and because it is of the highest importance to have an extensive refinery at that point, capable of successfully competing with European establishments. The management of the Melters' and Refiners' Department by the present incumbent, Mr. MARSH, is especially commended, and the amount of money saved to the Government by his improvements during the past four years is estimated at not less than $60,000.

NOMINATIONS.

The following nominations were sent in to-day: GEORGE E. KERR, to be Collector of Internal Revenue for the Thirteenth District of New-York; GEORGE B. GOODWIN, to be Assessor of Internal Revenue for the First District of Wisconsin. Postmasters—THEODORE G. PHILLIPS, at Bay City, Mich.; GEORGE F. CLARKE, at Los Angeles, Cal.; JOHN W. CUMMINGS, at Ware, Mass.

CANCELED REGISTERED BONDS.

On March 1, and on the first of each month thereafter, the Secretary of the Treasury proposes to issue a circular giving a list of all the registered bonds that are canceled on the books of the Department, giving the sets under which they were issued, the denomination, and the numbers arranged numerically. This list will be corrected monthly, and will prove of great value to brokers and bankers, as it will give them a chance to protect themselves from forgeries, &c., as when a bond shall be presented to them they can at once refer to the list and find whether it is canceled or not. The list to be issued March 1 will contain the numbers of about four hundred such bonds, varying in denomination from $50 to $10,000 each, and of all sets from Jan. 20, 1867, to date. Copies for distribution will be sent to Assistant Treasurers and United States Depositories throughout the country where interest is paid, or they will be forwarded to any address upon application to the Loan branch of the Secretary's office, where all correspondence relating to the subject should be addressed.

SOCIAL LIFE AT THE CAPITAL.

Secretary and Mrs. FISH to-night gave their last evening card reception of the season. The attendance was, as usual, very brilliant and distinguished, including the President and many other persons prominent in the political and social life in Washington....Speaker and Mrs. BLAINE also held an evening reception, which was attended by General SHERMAN and a very large number of others occupying high positions in the various branches of the public service. Many strangers were also present, including the delegation from the Pennsylvania Legislature, and the Mayor and members of the City Council of Philadelphia. The latter called earlier in the evening to pay their respects to the President.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 25.

Mr. ROBERTSON presented the credentials of General AMES, Senator elect for Mississippi, which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Bills were introduced and referred as follows:

By Mr. CONKLING—Granting lands to aid in the construction of certain railroads in Florida.

By Mr. WILSON—To prevent prize fighting, in any Territory or District by imprisonment for not less than two years, and a fine not less than $2,000 for engaging in such fight in any State or Territory, and half of said penalties for aiding such fights as aforesaid; to authorize the United States Courts to take cognizance of offenses.

By Mr. CAMERON—Incorporating and chartering the Washington City, Point Lookout and Norfolk Railroad and Steamboat Company. Referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. HARLAN—To provide a Territorial Government for the District of Columbia, which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

DIVISION OF TEXAS.

Mr. HOWARD introduced a bill to divide the State of Texas, and to establish the Territories of Jefferson and Matagorda. He said the proposition was to divide Texas into three parts, that portion east of the San Antonio and Trinity Rivers, containing, by the census of 1860, about 250,000 inhabitants, to be called the Territory of Jefferson; that portion between those rivers and the Colorado River to constitute the State of Texas, which space in 1860 contained about 300,000 inhabitants, black and white; and all west of the western boundary line of the State, embracing by the census of 1860 about 118,000 inhabitants, to be denominated the Territory of Matagorda.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. HOWARD, from the Committee on the Pacific Railroad, reported, with amendment, the bill to fix the position of junction of the Union Pacific and Central Pacific Railroads; to legalize the arrangement already made by the Companies.

Mr. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported, with amendment, the bill to incorporate the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad Company.

THE OSAGE INDIANS.

Mr. HARLAN called up the bill for the sale of the Great and Little Osage Indian reservations of said Indians in the Indian Territory. A discussion ensued, which was participated in by Messrs. TRUMBULL, HARLAN and DRAKE, upon the Senate Committee's amendment increasing the sums to be paid for the lands from $1.25 to $2 per acre, and also upon the expediency and justice of further contracting the limits of the reservation assigned to the Osage Indians. The discussion was finally terminated by the expiration of the morning hour, when the bill was laid aside.

THE MISSISSIPPI COLORED SENATOR ELECT.

The pending business relative to the credentials of Mr. REVELS as Senator from Mississippi was then taken up, and Mr. VICKERS addressed the Senate upon the legal constitutional definition of citizenship, claiming the principle of the Dred Scott decision had never been successfully controverted in the Senate. He argued that REVELS was ineligible in view of the constitutional provision requiring nine years citizenship as one of the qualifications of a Senator.

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Mr. WILSON argued that in obeying the Divine command to "break the yoke of the oppressed and to let them go free," every man who acted with the Republican majority did bear a commission from the Almighty, as he had previously asserted. They had been true to the cause of humanity, while the efforts to better the condition of the colored race had met only the bitter and unrelenting hostility of their Democratic opponents.

Mr. SAWYER argued to show that the objection of the Democratic side to the representatives from the reconstructed States was based on the fact that minorities were not now represented as they had been in the oligarchies of the force exercised by the United States to establish Governments in the South was a legitimate force, being that of the unrepresented colored race.

Mr. DRAKE, indignant at the charge that Senators had been elected through the agency of the military, declared his preference for that kind of an election over a triumph of the Democratic Party, whose only hope of power in the future was in the shillalah. From every quarter he said Democratic eyes were invariably turned on election in New-York City, because it was known that there the majority of the State, no matter how great, the legal constitutional definition of citizenship, claiming the principle of the Dred Scott decision had never been successfully controverted in the Senate. He argued that REVELS was ineligible in view of the constitutional provision requiring nine years citizenship as one of the qualifications of a Senator.

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Mr. CAMERON made some further general remarks, in which he stated that the country was being unconsciously wrapped up in the coils of the monstrous anaconda of reconstruction.

Mr. SCOTT argued that the Civil Rights bill and the Fourteenth Amendment were not prospective in their terms, but declared all persons born in the United States to be citizens. The colored people were made citizens by that declaration.

Mr. SUMNER made a congratulatory remarks upon the culmination of the policy to which his efforts had been devoted.

Mr. STOCKTON closed the debate, asserting that the question of color had not been entertained on the Democratic side, but merely that of the needed qualifications under the Constitution. The other side, in refusing to refer the credentials of REVELS, and by their eagerness to admit him, showed how much they were indignant in his favor by reason of his color. He remarked that the rules prevented him from answering it as he deserved to be, and also the charge of the Democracy (Mr. SCOTT) that the glorious young Democracy had ever sympathized with rebellion.

The Senate then voted upon the resolution of Mr. STOCKTON, to refer the credentials of Mr. REVELS to the Judiciary Committee, which was not agreed to, by a party vote—yeas 5, nays 56.

Mr. WILSON moved that the oath of office be now administered to Mr. REVELS.

Mr. POMEROY called for the yeas and nays on the motion.

The Vice-President said the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. DAVIS) had given notice of his intention to object at every stage of the proceedings, and a single objection to the administration of the oath would compel a vote.

Mr. SAULSBURY announced his objection, and the vote was then taken, resulting in favor of the motion by a party vote—yeas 56, nays 5.

Mr. FOWLER, in both cases, voted with the majority, while Mr. JOHNSON, of Virginia, frequently glanced upon the Democratic side, was absent.

After the vote had been announced, Mr. REVELS, accompanied by Mr. WILSON, came forward in response to a suggestion from the Chair, and took the customary oath of office. He then proceeded to the seat assigned him on the Republican side, where a number of Senators and others tendered him their congratulations.

The Senate then, at 5 o'clock, adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. KELLEY, of Pennsylvania, presented a memorial of the Select and Common Councils of Philadelphia, the Franklin Institute and the Pennsylvania Legislature, for appropriate celebration of the centennial anniversary of American independence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Bills were introduced and referred as follows:

By Mr. STARKWEATHER—To encourage the building of first-class iron steamships in aid in restoring commerce and for carrying the United States mails.

By Mr. ELA, JR.—To establish a system of national education.

ARMY AND NAVY INVESTIGATION.

Mr. SHANKS, of Indiana, offered a resolution, instructing the Committee on Military Affairs to extend its investigation so as to ascertain whether any officer of the army or navy, including the War and Navy Departments, has advised or solicited any member of Congress to recommend the appointment to a cadetship in the Military or Naval Academies of any person not a bona fide resident of the district, or who was otherwise disqualified; or whether any such officer has requested, or, if asked, recommended or accepted, any nomination knowing it to be of the character indicated; also to inquire and report in relation to money or other improper considerations in the premises.

Adopted.

LOYALTY OF A MARYLAND REPRESENTATIVE.

On motion of Mr. ORESNA, the Committee on Elections was discharged from further consideration of charges against the loyalty of Representative HAMILL, of Maryland, the statements being merely ex parte, and the charges not being followed up by the parties making them.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. JENCKES, from the Committee on Retrenchment, reported a bill to establish a Department of Justice. Recommitted.

Mr. BENJAMIN, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, reported a bill defining the duties of pension agents, which, together with the substitutes and amendments offered by Messrs. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, LOGAN, LAWRENCE and WILLIAMS, was ordered to be printed and recommitted.

ADMISSION OF GEORGIA.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, from the Reconstruction Committee, reported a bill to admit the State of Georgia to a representation in Congress, and asked to have it put upon its passage.

Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, hoped it would not be pressed until after it was printed. Georgia has already been admitted to a representation.

Mr. BULLOCK—Twice.

Mr. BUTLER—It is in hidden words, the same as the Virginia and Mississippi bills.

Mr. ELDRIDGE suggested that Mr. BUTLER should also include the State of Massachusetts.

Mr. BUTLER, yielding to various suggestions made, had the bill recommitted and ordered to be printed, giving notice that he would report it back on Tuesday.

Mr. BECK offered a substitute, which was also ordered to be printed.

THE LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION AMENDMENTS.

The House then proceeded to vote on the reserved amendments to the Legislative Appropriation bill. The amendment appropriating $14,000 for the Department of Education was adopted by yeas 100, nays 44. The amendment striking appropriations for the mint at Carson City, Nevada, as a substitute for a clause abolishing the law which established it, was agreed to; yeas 88, nays 63.

THE INDIAN APPROPRIATIONS.

The House then, at 2:30, went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. MERCUR in the chair, on the Indian Appropriation bill, appropriating $3,100,000.

Mr. SARGENT, who had charge of the bill, as a member of the Committee on Appropriations, explained its provisions and exposed the disbursements and peculiarities that have been transacted under the General Indian Treaty system. He denounced the late massacres of Indians by Colonel BAKER's command as related by VINCENT COLLYER, comparing it to the massacre of Glencoe. He regretted that measures for the Shenandoah had to stand against the bill adopted as that. It was the duty of the Government to protect the Indians from the whites, and treat them with more gentleness and humanity.

Mr. PAINE remarked that if General SHERIDAN was responsible for that massacre, his responsibility was certainly a very (true only) but he could not believe the statements as made by VINCENT COLLYER, particularly after reading the order and report of General SHERIDAN and his instructions to General HANCOCK, in November, 1868. Those Mr. PAINE sent to the Clerk's desk and had read.

Mr. SARGENT said he was not condemning General SHERIDAN or the General of the army. He was simply setting out a system which was no warrant in the laws of God or man for destroying men and children because their husbands and fathers were robbers.

Mr. VOORHEES expressed his abhorrence of, and entered his protest against, the system of warfare as exposed by Mr. COLLYER's letter. He would not vote a dollar of appropriation to uphold such a system, not of war, but of indiscriminate massacre.

Mr. SARGENT reminded him that he could not accomplish his purpose by voting against the bill, which contained no appropriation for military purposes.

Mr. VOORHEES asked Mr. SARGENT whether the letters read at the desk did not disclose the fact that General SHERIDAN gave an order to General HANCOCK to strike, as he expressed it, hard blows at these Indians.

Mr. SARGENT presumed that the gentleman from Indiana understood it correctly. Mr. SARGENT said further that he did not think the only proper way to deal with the Indians was by the military arm, and yet he believed that General SHERIDAN was at heart as kind a gentleman as the gentleman from Wisconsin or Minnesota. He commended the Quaker policy among the Indians, and he believed that it had accomplished better results than any other agency.

Mr. CLARKE expressed his views against the whole Indian treaty system and in favor of the abrogation of all existing Indian treaties.

General debate having closed, the House proceeded to consider the bill by sections for amendments.

Mr. CLARKE moved an amendment providing that hereafter the Indian tribes shall be considered incapable of making treaties.

Mr. HOLMAN made the point of order that that was independent legislation, and not in order to an appropriation bill. The Chairman sustained the point of order.

Mr. ELDRIDGE in the course of further debate entered his solemn protest against the treatment in which the Indians had been treated, and especially against that barbarous, that infamous order of General SHERIDAN's which had been just read. If these Indians were as gentlemen said, wards of the Government, then we were the most barbarous people on the earth.

Mr. STEVENSON, of Ohio, entered his protest against the sweeping condemnation of the Government officers. If he stood alone he would express his approval of the order of General SHERIDAN. They expressed the sentiment of war, and he had always believed that in war the most humane policy was not always the best policy, but the most merciful policy. General SHERIDAN had said we must strike the blow where it will hurt, and that was the only way to make war. If they must fight these Indians they must fight to kill. He would join the gentleman in any attempt to make and maintain peace, but war should be made war.

Mr. VOORHEES described the anomalous condition of the Administration in giving audience to the Quaker missionaries of peace, whom it had sent among the Indians, and who, on the other hand, were giving audience to General SHERIDAN, whose hands were reddened with the gore of innocent women and children.

The Committee rose to close the debate on the paragraph, and then the House, at 4:15 o'clock P. M., adjourned until Monday.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

EUROPE.

The Mordaunt Divorce Suit—A Verdict of Insanity—Mr. Lowe on the French Commercial Treaties—The French Republic.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The Mordaunt divorce suit was laid before the jury, by consent of counsel on both sides, with the issue thus presented: "Was Lady MORDAUNT sane and able to instruct her attorney on April 20, 1869, and has she since become so, and if so, when?" In summing up the case the Court said if Lady MORDAUNT were pronounced insane now, it would not prevent Sir CHARLES MORDAUNT from obtaining a divorce, should she again become sane. The jury returned the following verdict: "We unanimously find that Lady MORDAUNT was insane on the 20th day of April, 1869, and had been ever since." The verdict favors Lady MORDAUNT on both points. Sir CHARLES MORDAUNT will apply for a writ of divorcement, it is said, subject to the return of reason in his wife....The Waterford elections resulted in the return of General OSBORNE. The disappointed crowd threw the cars into the river, smashed windows, and committed other depredations. The military were ordered out with loaded rifles, and finally succeeded in dispersing the mob and restoring quiet....A Convention of the English Chambers of Commerce has adopted a resolve urging the sale of cereals by weight....Mr. Lowe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, admitted to-day in a speech in the House of Commons, that he was opposed to the commercial treaties with France....The Times to-day has an editorial on the troubles of the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad. It predicts that the organization recently formed in New-York under the lead of General MCCLELLAN, to further the interests of the creditors, will go far to realize the hopes of the projectors of this great railroad.

PARIS, Feb. 25—Noon.—The political news to-day is without importance. The celebrations yesterday of the anniversary of the proclamation of the French Republic of 1848 were very orderly. The Police authorities did not disturb the meetings anywhere....Three of the editors of the *Marseillaise* who were arrested for violation of the Press law have been liberated.... Letters from Spain state that a fierce struggle is going on between the revolutionary and Church parties.

MEXICO.

A Declaration of Independence by the Northwestern States—Lozada and Vega the Leaders.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—Private advices from Mexico state that a public meeting was held in Tepic on the 15th of January, which declared in favor of the independence of the Northwestern States, including Chihuahua, Durango, Sonora, Sinaloa, Lower California, and a portion of Jalisco. Generals LOZADA and PEDRO VEGA are the leaders of the new movement. It is claimed that the people of all the States named, and the Governors of Sonora, Chihuahua and Lower California favor independence. The Governors of Sinaloa and Durango adhere to President JUAREZ.

CANADA.

A Four-Oared Match on the St. Lawrence—The English Champions and the St. John Crew—The British Pacific Railroad.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25.—The four-oared rowing match for $2,000 and the championship of the world has been definitely arranged between the champion English crew, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and the Paris crew, of St. John, N. B. The race is to take place at Lachine in July next.

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—Mr. WADDINGTON has arrived here from London, England, to press upon the attention of the Government the construction of the British Pacific Railway. He believes the best point at which to begin is the mouth of the Nonpareil River, on Lake Superior. All the money required for the work can be had in London.

A State Ball in Honor of Prince Arthur.

OTTAWA, Canada, Feb. 25.—The State Ball in honor of Prince ARTHUR took place to-night in the Senate Chamber, and was the most brilliant affair of the kind ever witnessed in Canada. Among those present were Governor and Lady YOUNG, the Lieutenant-Governors of Ontario and Quebec, the Ministry, and most of the prominent men in Canada.

A Young Man Followed from New-York by Two Men and Robbed—Attempt to Murder Their Victim.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Feb. 25.—SAMUEL BOLTON, a young man belonging in West Farms, while on his way, on Thursday night, about 7 o'clock, to visit his betrothed, was attacked by two men near the residence of HENRY PURDY, in Harrison. They cut his throat, making a gash from the spinal cord to the windpipe, and after robbing him of $130, his shirt studs, &c., threw him over a fence. He recovered his senses in about fifteen minutes, and by his groans attracted the attention of a colored man named CHARLES PURDY, residing near, who procured a physician. BOLTON is not fatally injured. He says he drew the money from a bank in New-York, and noticed two strangers following him as far as Mamaroneck, where he left the train. It is supposed the would-be murderers took the 8:30 A. M. train from Mamaroneck for New-York.

CUBA.

General Quesada in Florida—An Emissary Arrived Hence from Cespedes—Reported Spanish Reverses—Planting Cane Burned.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 25.—General QUESADA, Commander-in-Chief of the Cuban army, and staff, arrived here yesterday from Cuba, via Nassau, on an important mission from President CESPEDES, leaving General JORDAN in command. He left Cuba the 27th ult., receiving the most enthusiastic demonstrations of confidence from his countrymen. PUEBLO and GUYCURUCHE had been defeated in Camaguey. The Spaniards had been dispositioned at all points.

HAVANA, Feb. 25.—A fire broke out yesterday on the Carmen plantation, near Cardenas. A high wind carried the flames to four adjoining estates, and fourteen fields were destroyed, with all the buildings upon them. Owing to the measures of safety now taken everywhere in the country, the flames were mastered in four hours.

Cuban Encounters Reported—A Filibustering Party Landed—A Steamer on the Needs.

HAVANA, Feb. 25.—The insurgent Colonel GARCIA with five officers and eighty soldiers surrendered voluntarily to-day at Villa Clara and took the oath of allegiance to Spain. A report is current that another party of filibusters with arms and ammunition effected a landing near Jibara, and are now in the Holguin jurisdiction. VALMASEDA in person has gone in pursuit of the filibusters. The Spanish gunboat Guerriero is ashore on the reefs near Bayari. Assistance has been sent to her.

DISASTERS ON GEORGES BANKS.

Effect of the Storm—Probable Loss of the Schooner Weather Gauge and Her Crew of Ten.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 25.—The stormy weather of the present month has proved very disastrous to the George's fleet. The schooner Weather Gauge, which sailed from Gloucester for George's Banks Jan. 26, is supposed to be lost in the gale of Jan. 30. She was probably the vessel seen in a sinking condition by the crew of the schooner Bull Grouse, reported a few days since. She had a crew of ten men, as follows: MARK SWOREY, master; PRINGLE, a native of Prince Edward Island; ABRAM BUNKER, of Gloucester, who leaves a widow and four children; STEPHEN CHESHOLM, WM. POWERS and JOHN PITMAN, single, also of Gloucester; ARCHER MCNEAL, JOHN MCKENZIE, JOHN A. MCKENZIE, NEAL MCAULEY, ARCHIBALD MCALLISTER—all young men, unmarried, and natives of Prince Edward Island.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

Sentence of a Police Judge in San Francisco—New Gold Discoveries.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 24.—A Police Judge was to-day sentenced to six months' imprisonment for abusing a Chinese woman. WASHINGTON's Birthday was observed at Victoria, Vancouver's Island, by all the nationalities.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—A dispatch from Victoria, Vancouver's Island, states that the colony is greatly excited over the news from Frase River, and that the lower country will soon be nearly deserted. The miners find nuggets of gold and lumps of silver in about equal proportions in their sluices.

THE WEST.

An Indian Raid in Nebraska—A Bloody Season—The Midland Pacific Railroad.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 25.—A party of ten Indians came to Pine Bluffs between 6 and 7 o'clock this morning and ran off a herd of stock. They were pursued by four citizens, who were fired upon and one was killed. The other three citizens returned, leaving the body of their murdered comrade with the Indians.

NEBRASKA CITY, Feb. 25.—The bridge at William's Creek is completed, and twelve miles of the track on the Midland Pacific Railroad are now laid west from Nebraska City. The present terminus of the road is D

CURRENT NOTES.

There were 530 applications for divorce in Philadelphia last year.

Governor JEWELL, of Connecticut, has disposed of his interest in the Hartford *Post*.

The first saw was in the sea. A fish carried it about with him.

General MAGRUDER told the Mobilians about MAXIMILIAN one night last week.

ARNOR BURLINGAME'S father, JOEL BURLINGAME, is still living in Denton, Cook County, Illinois.

Hon. MORTON MCMICHAEL has been elected President of the Philadelphia Union League in place of Mr. HORACE BINNEY, Jr., deceased.

A Georgia paper corrects an error by saying the words "obnoxious Senators" should have read "newly-elected Senators."

Mr. GEORGE HENRY MEEK, who for four years past has been connected with the *Times* of New-Orleans, died in that city on the 19th inst., aged 32 years. He was born in this City.

A family in Wisconsin were rudely awakened a few nights ago by the roof of their barn, which came crashing against their windows in a violent storm of wind and rain.

A constitutional amendment has been proposed in the Minnesota Senate, exempting stockholders in railroads from individual liability, as now provided in the amount of their stock.

A member of the Ohio Legislature has been arrested in Toledo on the charge of passing a $20 counterfeit Treasury note, and has been bound over for trial in the sum of $1,000.

A movement has been set on foot in Spencer County, Ill., to raise funds to place a monument over the remains of the mother of ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

A doubtful report comes from Concord, N. H., that the Democratic State Committee have resolved to urge their party to vote for Mr. FLINT, the Labor Reform candidate for Governor.

Heretofore the Fall River (Mass.) *News* and the Newport (R. I.) *News* have been as like as two peas, but the resemblance has now been destroyed by the enlargement and new dress of the former.

The Columbia (S. C.) *Phœnix* opposes the movement to organize a third party in that State, on the ground that it would take the soul out of the anti-Radical movement there. But the movement seems to have some strong friends.

One of the Charleston, S. C., military companies will dedicate a monument in May to the memory of their comrades who fell during the rebellion, and General WADE HAMPTON is to deliver the address.

Mr. WILLIAM PATE, of Kansas City, Mo., reports that he has found on land recently purchased by him $5,620 which was buried in an iron box during the war. The box contained a paper requesting the finder to devote one half to charitable purposes and to keep the remainder.

In a recent trial of a will case in Troy a woman testified that she and the testator stood before a looking glass, joined hands, and agreed to live together as man and wife. She received by the will $12,000 in five-twenties, and a house and the furniture therein.

In revoking their call for a State Convention on the 4th of March, the Democratic State Central Committee of Louisiana appeal to the Democracy in every parish and ward in the State to reorganize at once, and to keep the party in effective condition.

Michigan has lost its oldest inhabitant—WILLIAM SCHOOLEY, who died on the 19th inst., aged 101 years and 6 months. He was a native of New-Jersey, and "remembered seeing WASHINGTON." Michigan has now another oldest inhabitant.

The Norfolk (Va.) *Day Book* says there was not a word of truth in the story sent from that city that some negroes cut out the tongue of a negro boy named SEGUIRE, and afterwards murdered him. The *Day Book* says that the "murdered" boy received only a sound thrashing, and is now work in the enjoyment of fine health.

A Wisconsin man who had separated from his wife, went back to her last week, hoping to effect a reconciliation, but the next morning after his arrival she came to his bedside and told him not to get up as his breakfast was not quite ready, and then shot him through the head.

It is related of a centenarian who died the other day that he learned to use tobacco at the age of 30, but abandoned it at 37, having discovered that it made his hand a little unsteady. His nerves improved, he said, very much after that. Our readers who have reached the age of 37 should bear this fact in mind.

The resolutions adopted by the Massachusetts Working-women's Protective Union, disapproving woman's suffrage, allege that it would be of no practical good to their sex, either in their moral, social or political condition, and assert that they have entire confidence in the justice, impartiality and honorable intentions of their fathers, brothers and husbands.

A Massachusetts doctor prescribed one drachm of morphine for a sick patient, when he meant to prescribe one grain. The druggist called upon to put up the prescription discovered the mistake and knew that it would have killed the patient, but the papers withhold the names of both physician and druggist "for obvious reasons."

A miner in Michigan met an untimely death not long ago, and one of his friends interested himself in obtaining subscriptions for the bereaved widow. He collected some $300, and then, thinking it might be a good thing for him to marry the three-days widow, proposed, was accepted, and they were made one that same evening.

The libel suit of RICE A. BEALS, of Ann Arbor, Mich., against Professor JAMES C. WATSON, of the University of Michigan, has resulted in a verdict for defendant. The alleged libel was contained in a report respecting the management of a Farmers' Trading Association, of which the plaintiff was Superintendent, the defendant being Secretary of the Investigating Committee.

The St. Paul *Press*, reminding the people of Minnesota that they will require at least $20,000,000 of borrowed money within the next fifteen years to build railroads which will be deemed necessary, warns the Legislature that when Repudiation assaults and affronts Capital in the very centre and citadel of its power, it is well to remember that it arrays against the State an enemy able to shut it out of the money markets of the world.

Rev. JAMES LYNCH, the colored Secretary of State of Mississippi, has published a card defending Senator-elect REVELS from the charges made against him, and saying that when a representative of the Radical Party happens to be a man of colored skin the Democratic partisan Press "manifest such zeal and determination that were he St. Jean, the Divine, they would present him to the public as a character only fit to grace the dens of an Eastern city."

An Alabama man writes to a Mobile paper that he intends to celebrate his golden wedding, if he and his wife live, on the 4th of February, 1871, and then he will invite the Bishop and clergy, and General ROBERT E. LEE and Admiral RAPHAEL SEMMES and their respective families to attend. But he wants to know what a golden wedding is, and, after saying that the whole neighborhood is "in a blaze of excitement" on the subject, he wants a little light on it.

A New-Haven paper reports that the summary indefinite postponement of the Women's Suffrage Convention, which it was proposed to hold in that city this week, is likely to be a bone of contention among the leaders in the movement in that neighborhood, and it says: "Several of the more prominent advocates of the new doctrine, who had agreed to back up the affair with their money, were not consulted at all, and they did not like to be set back so summarily. However, it is expected that the ladies will have sufficient tact to smooth the matter over, and that in a few days everything will be as serene as if nothing had occurred. Mrs. ISABELLA HOOKER, of Hartford, is understood to have ordered the postponement, and CHAS. ATWATER, Esq., is out $25 for the hall, he having engaged it."

Some citizens of San Francisco last week seized a fellow who attacked a Chinaman without provocation, with what result the *Bulletin* thus relates: "The man who arrested the fellow were intimidated and let him go. As soon as he was released he pursued the same Chinaman, overtook him, knocked him down and beat him horribly, till those who looked on thought the wretched creature was killed. Another effort was made to apprehend the villain, but his companions closed around him, drew knives and pistols and prevented any arrest. Soon the crowd swelled to the proportions of a mob, which followed the bloody-minded coward towards the city front. He was still attended by his body guard of thieves with drawn pistols. Near Davis street, a hackman rushed upon the fellow and arrested him, but was glad to let him go again, and he would have escaped but for the timely appearance of policemen who took him into custody."

JAPAN AND CHINA.

Deportation of Japanese Christians—The Exportation of Japanese Coal—Railway Concession in Japan—Chinese Manners to a Foreign Representative—Magnificent Pottery in Chinese.

By the arrival of the San Francisco mails, we are in receipt of news by the Japan, from Hong Kong, to Jan. 3, and from Yokohama to Jan. 10. A summary is given below:

JAPAN.

The following paragraphs are from the Japan *Herald* of Jan. 8:

Authentic information has just been received from Nagasaki that the Government of the Mikado has, against unanimous protest of all the Consuls, backed up by Sir HARRY PARKES, who chanced to be there, deported some seven hundred native Christians from the main land. Sir HARRY PARKES, who deemed his influence with this Government all-powerful, joined issue with them, and the execution of the decree of banishment was carried out.

The Government has, after completion of the rice tax store and the numbers of population to be provided for, prohibited the export of rice from Niigata, except by special license, as provided in Japan; and, by a proclamation issued at Shimo Chajo, and dated Twenty Fourth Year, it is probable that such exportations will also be prohibited from the other open ports, in which case two months' notice of the intention will be given to the Consuls.

By a notification which has been issued at Nagasaki and Hiogo, but which by an oversight it was omitted to have duly published at Yokohama, it is announced that His Excellency the British Minister, has arranged with the Japanese authorities that all native coal exported hence in foreign steamers shall be held to be taken on board for the ship's use, and therefore to be permitted to be shipped free of duty. The regulation formerly in existence will continue to attach to native coal exported in sailing ships, and the duty stipulated in the tariff of the 1866 Convention have to be paid thereon. It will be remembered we have already published a notification on this subject from the American Minister.

Information having been recently received at the Capital, by the Ministry of Internal Government, from the Satsuma of Satsuma, in the Province of Kaga, that extraordinarily fertile rice fields had been subjected to such ruinous devastation and neglect during the late war, followed by floods last year which prevented the heading of the grain, and this year—consequent on the effects of inclemency of the seasons—heads have no delicacies, it is feared that no questionable whether bare subsistence could be afforded the people until the next Autumn, a searching inquiry has been made by Imperial Commissioners, whose report fully verified the statements of the Governor of the Province, and pressed upon the central authority the necessity of taking immediate steps to prevent the fearful goad of starvation hurrying on the people to crime.

A contract for the construction of a railway has been concluded by Mr. H. S. LAY, C. E. He represents capitalists who have intrusted him with money to be lent to the Japanese Government, and the conclusion of representative public works, and he advances one million sterling to the Japanese Government for a line from Yedo to Osaka, some 300 miles, to be built by English engineers. The railway will be the property of the Government.

CHINA.

On his recent visit to the Viceroy of Nanking, the French Envoy was welcomed with much honor, and a magnificent "Chinese tiger," which had been placed at his disposal. He visited the Viceroy with an escort and the usual insignia of state; and the latter returned his visit the next day at the Jesuits' Mission House—a thing previously unheard of.

Before Mr. BURLINGAME left Peking he was invested with a second Imperial Edict, as a mark of appreciation of his services during the revision of the treaty. The rank conferred is that of Pu-Cheng-Sze of the Ist Rank.

The *Hong Kong Letter* says that Chinese merchants are looking into the coal mining question, and that Chinese are expected within four months. The Nanking Government appear willing to open mines with foreign engineers, but not with foreign capital.

Sir R. ALCOCK arrived on the 21st at Hong Kong, and left by the French mail of the 4th inst. A meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and a public meeting took place on the 3d. His Excellency received deputations from both, to whom he explained his own position and the so-called policy of the British Government. The results were in the main satisfactory. His Excellency refused to acknowledge the sentiments put forth by the conferees of both deputations as to matters affecting Hong Kong interests.

Baron RICHTHOFEN left Canton on the 20th of December on his overland tour northwards. He has abandoned his intention of entering Yunnan, and goes to Peking through Russian Empire, &c. Baron RICHTHOFEN's Government commission is favorably disposed to an independent project for commercially exploring Western China. The matter is still under discussion.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.—ALBANY, Friday, Feb. 25.

REPORTS.

By Mr. MONTGOMERY—Providing for the election of Chief Judge and Associate Judges of the Court of Appeals and Court of Common Pleas in the City of New-York. Also, amending the Kings County Jurors' law. Also, amending the act authorizing the officers of orphan asylums to bind out children. Also, changing the name of the Hope Union Mission School of Brooklyn. Also, amending the charter of the Stuyvesant Institute of Brooklyn.

By Mr. THAYER—Providing for the introduction of the European system of steam towage on canals. For consideration.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. BRADLEY—Amending the charter of the Central Savings Bank of New-York.

Also amending the charter of the College of St. Francis Xavier of New-York.

By Mr. TWEED—Amending the charter of the Union Theological Seminary of New-York.

By Mr. NEWTON—To consolidate the City and County of New-York.

By Mr. GERRY—To extend Avenue C Railroad.

By Mr. NORTON—Providing for a Police Court in New-York.

By Mr. MURPHY—To establish a Police Department for the City of Brooklyn, and to define the powers and duties. It places the Department in the hands of a Board of Commissioners, two to be elected at the general election every fourth year; each Commissioner to receive a salary of $5,000 per year, and hold no other office or receive any other salary.

BILLS PASSED.

Abolishing the New-York Court of Special Sessions.

Abolishing the Contracting Board and the contracting system on the canals, with an amendment prohibiting the Board from entering into any new contracts for repairs.

THE EXCISE LAW.

The bill to amend the Excise law being announced for the third reading, Mr. WOOD moved to recommit, with instructions to amend by providing for the election of Excise Commissioners in the same manner as Inspectors of Election are chosen. Lost—13 to 17.

Mr. WOODIN moved to recommit with instructions to amend, by adding the words "during the whole of such day" referring to Sundays and election days. Carried by 16 to 14.

Mr. BOWEN moved to recommit with instructions to amend, by providing that "nothing in this act shall be construed to affect any suit pending for violation of the Excise law." Lost.

Mr. SCOTT moved to amend by striking out the clause which provides that intoxication shall not be punished by a fine and imprisonment. Lost, 13 to 16.

Mr. SCOTT moved to amend by submitting the excise question to the people every four years, by ballot. Lost, 13 to 17.

Mr. WOOD moved to amend by providing for the election in all corporated cities of a board of six Excise Commissioners, the minority to have two of said Commissioners. Lost, 14 to 13.

Mr. LEWIS moved to amend by prohibiting the sale or giving away of liquor upon any of the Indian reservations. Adopted.

Mr. PARSONS moved to strike out the word "publicly" in the fourth section. Lost.

Mr. PARKER moved to amend by striking out the clause which allows the sale of lager beer on Sundays. Lost.

Mr. GERRY moved to reconsider the vote adopting the amendment proposed by Mr. WOODIN. Carried, 19 to 12.

Mr. GERRY then moved to strike out the amendment. Carried.

Considerable debate ensued on a proposition to amend so as to reserve the Binghamton Asylum, the Kings County Inebriate Asylum and the Hornellsville Library, ten per cent of the excise moneys that those institutions now receive; but the amendments were finally withdrawn.

The bill was then passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Bloss, Bradley, Campbell, Dickinson, Genet, Graham, Hitchcock, Hubbard, Lord, Murphy, Norton, Pomeroy, R. E. Robertson, Rollins, Sanford, Tweed—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Bowen, Broad, Chapman, Elwood, Harrington, Kennedy, Lewis, Mosher, Parker, Scott, Slater, Winslow, Wood, Woodin—14.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. WOOD moved to reconsider the vote on the bill authorizing the Commissioners of Emigration to pay the expenses of a few days' visit to the cattle districts of Illinois, &c. Lost.

Mr. BURNS moved that the Judiciary Committee be given twenty days' additional time to consider the investigation in regard to sleeping cars, &c. Carried.

Adjourned until 11 A. M. to-morrow.

ASSEMBLY.

A communication was received from the United States District-Attorney PIERREPONT that Hon. J. H. WHITE was needed as a witness in an important criminal case. That gentleman was granted leave of absence for that purpose.

BILLS PASSED.

Incorporating the Sixth-avenue Savings Bank, of New-York.

Providing for revision of the statutes.

THE RESOLUTIONS OF CUBA.

The Committee on Foreign Relations did not report on the Cuban resolutions, as instructed, and it was stated the Chairman was absent.

The Speaker stated that the resolution directing the report to be made had not been yet handed to the Chairman of the Committee.

Mr. BURNS moved that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the resolution.

Mr. MITCHELL hoped the resolution would not be repealed, as the report will be made as soon as the Chairman returns.

Mr. LITTLEJOHN moved that the time for reporting be extended to noon to-morrow. Carried.

REPORTS.

By Mr. M. C. MURPHY—Amending the act conferring certain powers on the managers of the Marine Hospital of Indiana; also, to provide for the better defense of the State.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. JACOBS—Relative to Dorraw and Clinton streets, Brooklyn; also, to improve Washington-avenue, Brooklyn.

By Mr. HERBERT—Chartering the Manhattan Association of New-York.

By Mr. DEGOL—Amending the act authorizing the South Side Railroad of Long Island to construct a branch track, and run a steam dummy in Brooklyn.

By Mr. JONES—To regulate horse car fare in Brooklyn by fixing the rate at five cents.

By Mr. MAYNARD—Providing the proper authorities for laying of a double track from Brooklyn to Newtown. Adjourned.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Havana Remedy—Card of an Importer.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Under the head of "Revenue Frauds," &c., there was an article, published in your paper of Feb. 22, in which our names are mentioned, and we are charged, in common with the rest of the trade, with habitually violating the law by not affixing stamps to the separate bottles when sold in broken packages of perfumery. As we are wholesale dealers, we have only exceptionally made such sales, and as it is our invariable rule to affix the proper stamps, we declare that we know but of a single instance in all our extensive dealings where it has not been followed, and this was owing solely to the inadvertence, ignorance or good natured complacency of an inexperienced lad in our establishment. This youth, by the repeated solicitations of a pretended dealer, but really an official spy, was induced to sell him, as a special favor, a few bottles of cologne which happened to be in a broken package, displayed as a sample and not for sale, the being an article only disposed of by us in the original boxes. It may be well to state how we became first conscious there had been on our part a violation of the law, and to explain the circumstances which led to an occurrence that the most diligent care could hardly provide against. Without our uniform strictness did not prevent;

About the middle of January we were called on in behalf of an ex-official, to retain him to defend us in certain suits that had or were to be commenced against us for alleged violation of the Revenue laws, the person pleading the ex-official's claims to obtain a decision in our favor, his influence with the Judges, &c. We replied that we had instructions to find fault of the matter, and as our conscience was clear of the intention to say way to violate the laws, we thought little more of it. About a week afterwards we had notice from the District-Attorney's office that complaints had been made against us for violations of the Revenue laws, and issued subpoenas for our appearance to answer the complaint; to be four violations on Jan. 11, and four violations on Jan. 12. On investigation we discovered that a certain person called at our place of business, and applying to a boy, the youngest in the establishment, asked for an half quarter of Lubin's extract, which request was received by our boy of half a dozen bottles each. He was refused, and was told it was against the rule of the store to break packages. He pleaded that he was a druggist in Brooklyn and did not want so much of one kind of perfume; he was still refused, and did not get the sale. He then left, and the next day, under pretence of being a dealer, he made a small purchase of perfumed soap, and seeing a sample box of cologne, said he would take one-third of a dozen (four bottles,) amounting to $2 67; this occurred on the 11th of January; on the following day the same person called for a half and made a similar purchase, viz: one-third of a dozen, (four bottles,) again deceiving the clerk by the statement of his being a dealer. The boy took it for granted he would affix the stamps required by law, which of course would be required by a person who was a dealer in selling them. This constitutes the eight violations, so called, one third of a dozen (four bottles) each day, total value of cologne purchased, $6 14. We may state that the officers now in authority, on investigating the matter, came at once to the conclusion that it was one of those occurrences to be unpleasant to us, but we were not liable. No penalty was exacted, and no "hush money" paid by us, nor, in fact, was it hinted by the greatest officer of the Government that it was expected, though we had reason to believe that it was by the ex-official, who gave the first information of our unconscious violation of the law.

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Pumps for Steamers.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It would seem that our law makers are not satisfied with the present depressed state of commerce, but desire to impose all the useless burdens upon it that their ingenuity can devise. A bill has just passed the Senate to compel every steamer of 100 tons and upwards carrying passengers or freight to carry pumps equal to one-fourth the capacity of her boiler. This bill is in the interest of a particular pump company, while the bill allows the use of any kind of pump. The capacity required is so enormous and the cost so great that the owners of steamers would be compelled to purchase the particular pump provided for in the bill. This trap is helped along, of course, by the patentees of their own price upon it. Thus the law gives a marketable exclusive right in the way of a patent and then compels vessel owners to purchase a device, not because it is better than any other, but because parties have influence enough to induce Senators to advocate their private interests at the expense of the public.

ONE WHO UNDERSTANDS THE SUBJECT.

The Tax on Savings Banks Respecting.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In making my income return for the past year, I placed among the "exemptions" from tax the dividend paid by the savings bank in which I am a depositor. This the Assessor "scratched," asserting that, notwithstanding their statements, the banks did not deduct the Government tax. Now, the bank in which I am a depositor, in common with the others of the City, advertises that it pays "interest free of tax," and I should like to know if the Assessor is correct? FIVE PER CENT.

MORRIS, Feb. 21, 1870.

Apothecaries' Licenses.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Myself and partner were engaged in business, as apothecaries, in the City, and took out a license last May, as required by law. In October I bought out my partner, and, considered my license good until its expiration in May, 1870. But the Internal Revenue Assessor informed me that my old license was worthless, and I was obliged yesterday to pay for another from October until May. Is this just, and is it the law?

APOTHECARY.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Feb. 22, 1870.

The Girls' Wood Engraving Class at Cooper Institute.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I find the following in an editorial in your paper of Sunday last:

"So decided are our girls in the habits of trained attention and accuracy that the accomplished master in wood engraving in the Cooper Union has about resigned into the trustees to give this important branch up—the girls having the little patience and thoroughness to enable them ever to succeed or to succeed with ease."

We think these young lady wood engravers, who are said not to attend closely enough to their work, would have been better employed if they had been good Latin scholars.

Allow me to protest against this—first, because it is a cruel injustice to the pupils of my school and likely to injure the school itself; and next, because neither in the reports of the Cooper Union nor in any words of mine is there warrant for such a statement.

The engraving class of the Cooper Union continues in operation; and whatever it may fail short of success I am disposed to blame my own insufficient teaching rather than any deficiencies of my pupils, whose docility and close attention to their work have been of the most encouraging

The Late Hon. Horace Binney, Jr., of Philadelphia—Resolutions Adopted by the Committee of the United States Sanitary Commission.

At a special meeting of the Standing Committee of the United States Sanitary Commission, held in this City, at the house of the President, Rev. Dr. BELLOWS, on Monday, Feb. 21, 1870, the following resolutions in memory of the late Hon. HORACE BINNEY, Jr., a member of this Board, were passed and were ordered to be published in the newspapers of New-York and Philadelphia, to be sent to the family of the deceased, and placed among the permanent records of the Commission:

Resolved, That the Standing Committee of the United States Sanitary Commission have learned with profound sorrow of the decease of their late fellow member in the Board of the Commission, Hon. HORACE BINNEY, Jr., of Philadelphia.

Resolved, That the Committee, bearing in mind the eminent and valuable services which he rendered during the whole period of the late war, his duties as the Commission of which he was for a time a member, first, as a counsel and trustee and then subsequently in the Committee, and his generous and munificent personal and pecuniary aid to the Commission, in spite of ill health, he was rarely absent, and sent as President of the Philadelphia Association, where he rendered invaluable services to the Commission by the weight of his character, the boldness of his patriotism and the devotion to the interests of the present Board.

Resolved, That at the close of the long and eminently honorable career of the late Mr. BINNEY, relations with Mr. BINNEY, the Board recalls with gratitude and respect the unbroken continuation of his high, intelligent, admirable culture, undeviating rectitude and exalted purity of character, and remembers with appreciative gratitude that the Commission owes to his wise counsel and generous aid, and that the cause of a struggling patriotic life has lost its ablest advocate, and the cause of a struggling patriotic life its devoted friend, and the cause of humanity and Christian philanthropy its most intelligent and most powerful champion; while his manliness and force opened, turned into a body indignation against the parricides who sought the nation's life. Offering himself and his children to the country, he was ready to give his life to it during the war only as the sailor lives and dies, and to recognize no service so pressing as that of the country's cause he represented with all his power and heart and soul. He was a man of open frankness and silent generosity, his private affairs, his domestic sufferings, his health, date and perhaps were concealed, and to the last he of his country from its sacrifices, and of his friends from his sufferings. This legacy of his death is not much to shorten his honored and valuable life.

Resolved, That we shall always cherish with the deepest sympathy the memory of his wife, who so devoted her example of the Christian spirit, and of his children, the pure and consistent American citizen, honorable man, the faithful friend, the wise and generous counsellor.

Resolved, That we tender to the Philadelphia Association the expression of our deep commiseration with the decease of their President, to his immediate family and to his honored father, who survives his son, and to his honored father, who survives his son, and his life are a pride to the nation, the surviving sympathy due to such a great in the loss of such a son.

HENRY W. BELLOWS, President.
JNO. S. BLAGGFORD, Secretary.

Northern Pacific Railroad.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

DULUTH, Minn., Wednesday, Feb. 16, 1870.

The celebration at the breaking ground on the Northern Pacific Railroad yesterday, was a complete success. No railroad ever was started under more propitious circumstances. The day was magnificent.

The ceremonies were opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. SLAFER, of Duluth, Dr. THOS. FOSTER presiding. Colonel CULVER, one of the earliest settlers of Minnesota, Colonel HAYES, and Mr. Wm. REYNOLDS took part in the mechanical preliminaries, amidst the cheers of a large assemblage. Speeches were delivered by General STARKLOFF, engineer in charge, Colonel MEAD, President of the road, Governor MARSHALL, Senator LOGAN and others. It was received throughout the replements used on the occasion to Mr. JAY COOKE, as Philadelphia, as being regarded as the father of the enterprise, and his financial expansion and strength as the best guarantee of its success.

The Death by Suffocation in Brooklyn.

The scene of the tragedy at No. 38 Bridge-street, is a frame building of two stories high occupied as a tenement house by eight or ten families. The man MCCARTHY and his wife were located on the ground floor in two rooms, situated in the rear part of the building. The house has been lately rebuilt, and the other apartments have been occupied for some little time without any of the tenants being conscious of any bad effects from the newly-plastered walls and the fresh paint. MCCARTHY and his wife moved in on Wednesday, and the stove was lighted in the afternoon for the evening. The sleeping apartment of the unfortunate pair is a small room connecting with the one in which the stove is placed. They seem to have retired leaving a good fire burning, and with the windows of both rooms perfectly close. The current of air from the bedroom is further intercepted by a close wooden fence which rises immediately behind the window, the back wall of the building being carried within about eighteen inches of this boundary of the lot on which it stands. It is stated that the room in question occupies the site of what was previously an ash heap. It is also stated that the stove flues of the lower rooms "draw" very imperfectly, and that, as two main flues suffice for the entire building, they are apt to be filled by smoke and gas descending from some of those above. What influence this attendant circumstance may have in bringing about the sad event will doubtless appear during the inquest, which will shortly be held. Mrs. MCCARTHY is slowly recovering, though it is stated that another thirty minutes would have sufficed to make her share the fate of her husband. The happy pair were married only a few months ago.

Chess—Perrin vs. Delmar.

In the Brooklyn Chess Club tourney Messrs. DELMAR and PERRIN played two games, each winning one. The first appears below, and is rather of the cut-and-thrust order. It concludes with a pretty mate:

RUY LOPEZ KNIGHT'S GAME.

White.	Black.
1. P to K 4.	P to K 4.
2. Kt to K B 3.	Kt to Q B 3.
3. B to Q Kt 5.	Kt to K B 3.
4. Castles.	Kt takes P.
5. P to Q 4.	B to Q 3.
6. P takes P.	P takes P.
7. P to K Kt 3.	P to K R 3.
8. P to K Kt 4.	B to K 2.
9. Kt to Q B 3.	Castles.
10. Kt to K 5.	Castles Q R.
11. B to K 3.	Q to K 1.
12. B to Kt 3.	Q to K 3.
13. Kt takes Kt.	P takes Kt.
14. P to K 4.	P to K Kt 4.
15. P to K 5.	P to K 4.
16. P to Q 5.	P to Q 5.
17. B to K 2.	Q to K R sq.
18. Q to B 3 (a)	Q to K 2.
19. B to B sq.	P to K Kt 5. (b)
20. Q to K 2.	P takes K B P.
21. P takes Q B P. (c)	Kt to K 4.
22. Q to Q B 6ch.	K to Q 1.
23. Q takes R.	Kt to B 5 ch.
24. K to K 2.	Kt takes R.
25. Q R to K R. (d)	Q to Kt 5 ch.
26. K to R sq.	Q to Q 4 (e)
27. Q to Kt sq.	Q to R 6.
28. B takes Kt.	Q to Q 4.
29. Kt takes P.	Q to Q 8 ch.
30. K to Kt 2.	Q to R 4 ch.
31. K to B 3.	Q to Q 8 ch.
32. K to B 4 ch.	Q to Q B 8.
33. P to Q 4.	Q takes B P ch.
34. K to K 5.	Q to R 4 ch.
35. K to K 6.	Q to R 8 ch.
36. K takes P.	Q to K 8 ch.
37. K to Q 6.	Q to Q 8.
38. K to Q B 6 checkmate.	

(a) White has allowed his opponent to obtain a powerful attack. A smooth move was much better than attempting to defend it.

(b) Preventing Q to move to K R 5.

(c) Played with the intention of exchanging queens for the two rooks.

(d) A very hazardous move, although successful. Perhaps a more timid policy would not have prevailed against his ingenious antagonist.

(e) Black's game is lost. Black should have played P to K B 6, in which case with the best play on both sides, the game would have been drawn by perpetual check.

John Nunan, Comedian.

Mr. JOHN NUNAN, a well-known actor at Niblo's and at other local theatres, died in this City on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 24. Mr. NUNAN, who was a native of Dublin, Ireland, was only in his thirty-eighth year at the time of his death. He had been for about twenty years a resident of New-York.

Americans in Paris.

List of Americans registered at the office of BOWLES BROS. & CO., No. 19 Rue de la Paix, Paris, for the week ending Feb. 15, 1870: New-York—J. A. Hewlett and family, Miss Thompson, Isaac Walker, James Russell and Mrs. Russell, W. H. Cote, C. F. Bogue, Mrs. G. A. Sage, A. J. Adams, H. Folsom, J. J. Furnald, J. S. Rogers, B. F. Breeden, Miss A. Breeden, Boston—Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Amory, J. G. Carter, H. M. Fay, sen., C. F. Underwood, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Emerson, California—W. D. Wilson, Andover—E. Bush, Brooklyn—Julius Iwes, Jr. Cincinnati—Dr. and Mrs. Dawson, J. Webb, Meadville—Mrs. Huntington and family, Buffalo—Jas. Sawyer, Portland—F. A. Blake, New-Haven—Mr. W. H. Bush, Calais, Me.—Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Black, Hartford—J. A. Ayres, Cleveland—R. Rose and family, Dubuque—Caleb Cadler, San Francisco—Commodore S. S. Woodworth, Nukeagers—S. L. Stanley, Peekskill—B. Kitridge, Chicago—L. A. Garner, Bath—Wm. T. Harward, Havre—J. Simon, Switzerland—A. Lockwood, United States of America—Mrs. Sweet, H. B. Adrian.

SUPPRESSING FRAUDS.

Serious Charge Against Merchants.

Nearly Thirty Prominent Firms Accused of Buying and Selling Smuggled Gds—Collector Grinnell's Complaint—Investigation by District-Attorney Pierrepont—Several Arrests Made Yesterday.

A few days ago District-Attorney PIERREPONT's attention was called by Collector GRINNELL to an extensive system of smuggling frauds on the part of a number of prominent merchants of this City. The frauds were alleged to have been discovered by some officers in the Custom House, and to have caused a large loss to the revenue of the Government. They were said to include the buying and selling of imported oils which had been smuggled into this port contrary to law, and with the connivance of the accused merchants, thereby escaping the income duty, which is very high. Several quite respectable business firms were mentioned as being guilty of this practice. On the recommendation of Judge PIERREPONT the Collector proceeded to procure additional evidence in regard to the supposed frauds, and subsequently sent the following official letter:

CUSTOM HOUSE, NEW-YORK,
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, Feb. 21, 1870.

SIR: I have to report to you that the persons and firms hereinafter named, doing business in the City of New-York, have been for some time past engaged in buying and selling Bay oil and other essential oils, knowing the same to have been imported and brought into the United States contrary to law. I have been informed, and yet will proceed against said parties for a violation of section 4 of the act of July 18, 1866, unless, upon inquiry and examination, you shall decide that conviction cannot probably be obtained, or that such ends of public justice do not require that suits be commenced. I have instructed the name of the parties to follow (first giving the names of the merchants and their places of business:)

The evidence will consist of the statement and admissions of the parties, accounts of sales and receipts, bills (a number of which are now in my possession, schedule of those annexed marked A,) and the fact of bay oil being found in possession of many of them. No bay oil has been imported regularly at this port for a long time. I annex a schedule of recent seizures of bay oil, marked B. The witnesses are J. S. CHALKERS, an inspector of customs at this port, and R. R. W. HAMILTON, a inspector of customs at the port of Boston, whom I have directed to call upon you, and who will be able to furnish further particulars.

I am, very respectfully,
MOSES H. GRINNELL, Collector.

To EDWARDS PIERREPONT, Esq., United States Attorney.

It would defeat the ends of justice, probably, to publish the names of those who are to be arrested on the strength of the accusations made in the above letter, but it is sufficient to say that they are all likely to be apprehended in a day or two. Several arrests were made by the Deputy Marshals yesterday, including Mr. HALL, the firm of HALL & BUCHEL, of No. 216 Greenwich-street; DANIEL J. MCCOTTERS, doing business at No. 18 Cedar-street; JAMES S. ARTHWALL, of No. 30 William-street, and a young man of the name of PURDY, belonging to a down-town firm. The accused will be brought up for examination next week.

NEW PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The Presbyterian Hospital and the First Methodist Church of Harlem—Plans, Cost and Description of the Edifices.

The Presbyterian Hospital, work upon which has already been begun, will, when completed, be one of the most elegant public edifices in New-York, and at the same time add one more to the many great charitable institutions of our City. The location has been selected with great care as one, which will be at all times easy of access, and covers the square of ground bounded by Seventieth and Seventy-first streets, Madison and Fourth avenues. The entire plot was donated for the Hospital purposes by Mr. JAMES LUNGUZZI, of this City, who also adds $100,000 in money for the completion of the work, which is to be built by private subscription, additional sums having already been given by other liberal citizens. Mr. LUNGUZZI is President of the Commission, under whose supervision the hospitals are to be erected, and the cost of the institution when completed, it is estimated, will exceed $1,000,000. The excavations for three of the buildings connected with the Hospital are already partially made, and, when finished (which will be for about two months) the erection of the buildings will commence. The principal portion of the Hospital will probably be open for use in the course of the next two years, after which the remaining two buildings will be completed. The following is a brief description of the designed institution, the particulars of which have been furnished for the Times by Mr. P. B. HUNT, of the City, who is the architect, and under whose direct supervision the work is to be consummated.

The Hospital, when entirely finished, will consist of five buildings, namely, three pavilions or hospital proper and administration building and a steam boiler house. The two latter and the north pavilion will be first erected. These will all be connected by passages, one under and two above ground, in such a manner as to make all portions of the various buildings as easy of access as if under one roof. The Hospital is to be on the plan of the Lariboisiere, to afford the best possible means of ventilation. The style the modern French Gothic with Mansard roof, and the materials of Philadelphia pressed brick and Lockport limestone. The doors and windows are to be high, wide and airy, with mullioned and lancet arches, and the buildings will be three stories in height with cellar and basement and attic. The attic being really a story, each story will be fourteen feet six inches high in the clear, except the first, which is twelve feet. In the basement passage connecting the buildings, a small railway is to be constructed for the purpose of conveying food, linen, clothing and other necessaries articles to different parts of the institution. Elevators are to be introduced, as well as all other modern conveniences, and it is designed to make the Hospital most complete in all respects. The general arrangements are simple and commodious, fitted for about 200 patients. The institution is incorporated under the name of "The Presbyterian Hospital."

The administration building, which fronts on Seventieth-street, is fifty-eight feet by thirty-five feet three inches. It will contain the receiving room, examining room, offices, consultation room, chapel, and apartments for the house physician, matron, hospital attendants, a kitchen, &c. &c. In the boiler house, located in the rear and about in the centre of the grounds will be placed the machinery for heating the buildings, cooking and all such other machinery as is necessary in an institution of this nature for laundry and other purposes. The laundry will also be located here. The north pavilion, ninety-five by fifty-nine feet, (the first hospital to be built,) situated on Seventieth-street, will contain two large wards for patients, in each of which will be placed twelve beds, and twelve private wards, for a single patient each. The first and second story will each contain a parlor for male and female patients respectively, and in the third and fourth will be located a large lecture room, twenty-eight by forty-six feet, extending through both stories, for the use of medical students and public lectures. Connected with each ward, public and private, will be bathrooms, lavatories, closets, and all other water conveniences. Each two floor completion of the Hospital both sexes will receive attention at the north pavilion, and the south and west pavilions, located on Madison and Fourth avenues respectively, are finished, a different division will be made.

Such, in brief, is the design of the new hospital which, if carried out, cannot fail to prove an enduring blessing to the suffering poor of the Metropolis, and one reflecting the highest honor upon the public spirited citizens who have originated the great charity. The architect of the Hospital is Mr. R. M. HUNT, the builders, Messrs. JENNINGS & BROWN, and the mason Mr. JOHN G. TUCKER.

THE HARLEM METHODIST CHURCH.

The new Church of the First Methodist Episcopal Society of Harlem is to be located on the corner of Madison-avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-sixth-street. The church is to be built of brown stone, in the decorated Gothic style, gables in form, with two fronts on the avenue and street, respectively eighty-eight and one hundred and twenty-six feet in width and depth. There

LAW REPORTS.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

Matthew Benson, Secretary of U. Hollins, Ex. vs. Oxford et al.—Appeal from the Court of Claims. In this the claimant's testator, Wallace owned and duly bought and warrants, which he assigned to troops of Virginia on the Continental establishment, calling for something over 10,000 acres. For the said warrants such warrants that State early set apart a district of country on the south side of the Ohio River, within the limits of the present state of Kentucky. Afterwards to comply with the United States territorial settlement of that area, a cession was made of all the lands between the rivers, Scioto and Little Miami, which lies in the district first set apart, provided, that the claims of the Virginia troops should be satisfied. To execute the terms of the second reservation it was necessary to find the number of acres thus reserved, and to set them off to them. For ascertaining the number of acres, Congress, in 1871, this law was determined, by taking the number of acres actually surveyed, the remainder to be made up from a large reservation. Congress, by a law passed by Congress, February 1, 1852, provided that the claimant of warrants, parties, the original owners of the Court of Claims, which, 1855, the office of the Interior, to receive the money received from their sales, with interest, from the time of the sales, which had been received, with interest, as stated, if either party had warrants to be assigned and transferred to the United States. The Court of Claims found that the claimant's testator, Wallace, was the original owner of the warrants, and that the claimant's testator, Wallace, was the original owner of the warrants, and that the claimant's testator, Wallace, was the original owner of the warrants, and

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NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, FEB. 28, 1868.

Announcements this Evening.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d st., corner 6th-av.
PARIO—Leading characters by Mrs. Waller, and Messrs. Hamilton, Waller and Anderson.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.—HAMLET.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 30th-st.
MASKS AND FACES. Characters by Messrs. Charles Fisher, Blagden, Mathews, Miss Henrietta Miss Moore and others.
MATINEE at 2½ o'clock—OURS.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, near Bleecker-st.
HAMLET. Leading characters by Messrs. G. L. Fox, Davenport, Maeready, and Miss Blanche Bradshaw, Miss Howitt, Mrs. Wright and Miss Queen.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.
8th-st., corner 6th-av.
TWELVE TEMPTATIONS. Leading characters by Mr. George C. Boniface, Miss Sally Partington and Miss Fonbl.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.
24th-st., near 5th-av.
FROU FROU. Leading characters by Messrs. Geo. Clarke, Davidge, Lewis and Miss Agnes Ethel, Miss Fanny Davenport, and Mrs. Gilbert.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, near Houston-st.
BELLE PAGLIEN. Leading characters by Messrs. Williams, Thorne, Stoddard and Mrs. Williams.
MATINEE at 2 o'CLOCK.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
WALLACE OF SCOTLAND, CAPTAIN KYD, &c.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock—LIFE IN THE STREETS.

WOOD'S MUSEUM AND MENAGERIE.
Afternoon—LALLA ROOKH. Evening—FAUST.
Large collection of curiosities.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
Broadway, between 31 and 4th-ave.
EXHIBITION OF EQUESTRIAN AND ATHLETIC FEATS.
MATINEE at 2½ o'clock.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.
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NEGRO MINSTRELSY. Bones, Wambold, Backland, Backus, &c.

KELLY AND LEONE MINSTRELS.
No. 718 Broadway.
LE PETIT FAUST. (Ethiopian opera.) NEGRO MINSTRELSY.

APOLLO HALL.
Broadway, corner 28th-st.
EXHIBITION OF A PANORAMA OF IRELAND.

PLYMOUTH CHURCH, BROOKLYN.
Orange-st., near Hicks-st.
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For the accommodation of up-town residents, advertisements for insertion in the TIMES will be received at No. 51 West 23d-st., junction of Broadway and 6th-av., at same rates as are charged at office of publication.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The meetings in Paris in commemoration of the proclamation of the French Republic in 1848, were orderly, and the authorities made no attempt to interfere with them....Three of the editors of the *Marseillaise*, imprisoned under the Press law, have been liberated....The revolutionary and Church parties in Spain are engaged in a fierce struggle....The Mordaunt divorce suit terminated yesterday in a verdict that Lady MORDAUNT was insane in April, 1869, and has ever since been *non compos mentis*....The English Chambers of Commerce have held a Convention, at which a resolution urging the sale of cereals by weight was adopted....Mr. LOWE, the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, yesterday, in the House of Commons, declared himself opposed to the commercial treaties with France.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday the credentials of General ADAMS, Senator elect from Mississippi, were presented and referred. Among the bills introduced was one to provide a Territorial form of Government for the District of Columbia, and another to prevent prize fighting, by making it a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for two years and a fine of $2,000 for engaging in a prize fight in any State or Territory, and half the sentence for aiding such fights as seconds or surgeons; and a third to divide the State of Texas and to establish the Territories of Jefferson and Matagorda. Several reports were received from Committees, when the bill for the sale of the Osage Indian Reservation and the removal of the tribe was taken up and debated until the close of the morning hour. The discussion in regard to the admission of Mr. REVERS, the colored Senator elect from Mississippi, was then resumed, and finally concluded. The resolution of Mr. STOCKTON to refer the credentials to Committee was rejected by a party vote of 48 to 8, and on motion of Mr. WILSON the oath was administered to Mr. REVERS. At 5 P. M. the Senate adjourned until Monday.

In the House bills were introduced to encourage the building of iron steamships, and to establish a system of national education. A resolution was adopted to extend the inquiry in reference to the sale of cadetships to the army and navy, and to ascertain if any officer was implicated. The Committee on Elections was discharged from the further consideration of the loyalty of Representative HASKIL, the charges against him not being followed up. Bills defining the duties of pension agents and providing for the admission of Georgia, were reported from Committee and recommitted and ordered printed. The latter occasioned considerable debate, and Mr. BUTLER gave notice that he should again report it on Tuesday. The amendments to the Legislative, Appropriation bill, appropriating $14,500 and $91,000 to the Board of Education and the Carson City Mint respectively, were both adopted. The Indian appropriations of $6,145,000 were then taken up, and, in Committee of the Whole, the system of Indian treaties was discussed at length. The House finally rose and at 4:15 P. M. adjourned until Monday.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday the bill providing for the election of the Judges of the Court of Appeals and Court of Common Pleas in New-York, was reported. Bills were introduced to consolidate the City and County of New-York; providing for a Police Court in New-York, and to establish a Police Department for the city of Brooklyn, under Commissioners, with salaries of $2,000, who shall hold no other office. The bills to abolish the New-York Court of Special Sessions and the Canal Board and contracting system were passed. The bill to amend the Excise law was taken up and several amendments were offered which were steadily voted down. The bill finally passed by a vote of 17 to 14. The [illegible] on the Dairy bill was reconsidered and the matter laid on the table.

In the Assembly the bills incorporating the State-street Savings Bank of New-York, and providing for revision of the statutes were passed. The resolutions on Cuba were not reported owing to the absence of the Chairman of the Committee on Federal Relations. Various bills were introduced, among which was one fixing the fare on the Brooklyn horse cars at five cents.

GENERAL.

The Treasury Department will issue on the 1st of each month, beginning March 1, a list of registered bonds that are invested on the books of the Department, which will be supplied to Assistant Treasurers and others on application.

A Police Judge in San Francisco was sentenced to prison for six months on Tuesday for abusing a Chinese woman.

The Texas Legislature on Thursday passed resolutions complimentary to General HAYNES, and adjourned *sine die*.

The West Virginia House of Delegates on Thursday passed a joint resolution to amend the State Constitution by striking the word "white" from the suffrage, and restoring the franchise to participants in the rebellion.

A match between the champion English crew of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and the Paris crew of St. John, N. B., for a four-oared race on the St. Lawrence, at Lachine, in July, has been arranged. The stakes are $5,000.

A dispatch through private sources from St. AUGUSTINE, Fla., says that General QUESADA and staff, of the Cuban army, arrived there on Thursday, on a mission of importance from President CESPEDES, leaving General JORDAN in command. The Spaniards, under PUELIO and GOYENECHE, according to the same dispatch, had been defeated in Caraguay. Four plantations were damaged by fire near Cardenas on Thursday. Fourteen fields were overrun, and all the buildings destroyed.

On Thursday night, SAMUEL BOLTON, of West Farms, was attacked near Mamaroneck, by two men, who cut his neck badly, robbed him of $150 and his shirt studs, and threw him over a fence, supposing he was dead. They had probably followed him from New-York, where he had drawn the money from a bank.

The case in which MARTIN R. COOK, a wholesale liquor dealer, is charged with conspiring to defraud the Government of the tax on a large quantity of whisky was summed up before Commissioner BETTS yesterday. The Commissioner's decision will be rendered to-day.

Resolutions of respect to the memory of Mr. BURLINGAME were passed by both branches of the Massachusetts Legislature, yesterday.

A movement to declare the Northwestern States of Mexico independent is said to be in progress under Generals LOZADA and PEDRO VEGA.

LOCAL.

Arrests were made yesterday in the cases of several prominent merchants, who are charged by Collector GRINNELL with buying and selling imported oils which were known to have been smuggled. The alleged frauds are said to have been carried on at this port for a long time.

The National Tobacco Association, which has been in session in this City during the past three days, adjourned *sine die* yesterday. The next meeting will be held at Chicago.

Hon. WM. H. SEWARD arrived in this City last evening, and is stopping at the Astor House. A Committee from the Common Council waited on him and tendered him a public reception, for which he promised to appoint an early day.

The steamship *St. Laurent*, from Havre via Brest on Feb. 15, arrived at this port yesterday. Captain LEGATE's courtesy is once more shown to the city of late Continental files.

A motion was made yesterday, before Judge BARNARD, of the Supreme Court, to have opened a judgment of over $10,000 in favor of the City, and against CHAS. E. DEVLIN and WILCOME R. BEEBE as sureties of ROBERT B. BRADFORD, who, as Public Administrator of this City, turned out in 1865 to be a defaulter to the extent of $37,000. The motion to open the judgment was granted, and the case referred to Judge BARNARD's friend, W. C. FRANCHOT.

Sentences were imposed on six prisoners by Recorder HACKETT, in the Court of General Sessions, yesterday.

There was skating at Central Park yesterday for the first time this Winter. It lasted, however, only during the forenoon, the ice not being considered safe for a crowd in the afternoon. The ball will probably go up again to-day.

The Farmers and the Tariff—Mr. Carey's Blunders.

The "ruling class" of this country are of necessity, and always will be, the agricultural—the farmers. They are slow to take up an idea, but when they have once grasped it, they are exceedingly tenacious in holding it. The grand movement for "Revenue Reform" and a low tariff is gradually working among them; and nothing has aided it more than the demonstration furnished by Mr. WELLS, that, owing to the burdensome duties and taxes on many of their necessities, the purchasing power of their great product, wheat, is less than it was ten years ago.

The principal advocate for a high tariff, Mr. H. C. CAREY, has issued a pamphlet attacking this carefully-taken position of Mr. WELLS, but with such gross inaccuracies that his figures should at once be corrected by all the journals interested in promoting truth on this important subject. As a political economist and student of science, Mr. CAREY should also avow the errors of fact into which he has fallen, or his other positions in this discussion will arouse suspicion as to his accuracy.

Thus, Mr. WELLS states in his recent report, that the price of wheat in the New-York market was $1 45 per bushel in 1859. Mr. CAREY, on the other hand, claims from the Philadelphia returns, that it was only 95 cents. Our readers have only to run over the market reports in the business papers of this City during 1859, to see that wheat averaged just about $1 45 per bushel. Mr. CAREY's mistake (if a mistake) arose from his consulting the commerce and navigation reports as to the price of exported wheat, instead of market reports. The former, as is well known, are utterly unreliable, as there is no obligation to make exact statements of value, and part of the values are stated in gold.

Another of Mr. WELLS' points was that one hundred bushels of wheat in 1859 would have bought the farmer 4,684 pounds (at 2½ cents per pound) of bar iron, while, in 1866, at 2½ cents per pound, it only procured 4,154 pounds. Mr. CAREY'S reply is that English bar iron cost three cents a pound in 1859. But if he will consult any of our leading iron dealers he will learn that in actual sales of that year bar iron averaged $46 a ton of 2,240 pounds, or 2 1-10 cents per pound. In the Revenue report of 1866, Mr. STEPHEN COLWELL—whose authority will not be disputed—stated the average price of bar iron in New-York, in 1859, at $45 37, which is sufficiently near Mr. WELLS' statement.

A third of the little facts which have excited Mr. CAREY is, that the hundred bushels of wheat purchased 4,684 pounds of cut nails (at 3 cents per pound) in 1859, and only 2,700 (at [illegible] in 1866. He accordingly draws on some mysterious source for the statement, that cut nails cost 3½ cents a pound in 1859. But unfortunately on the other side, his same fertile tables of figures in the Treasury report of 1866, which give the price for every month of 1859 of this article, and we need not say that it is uniformly 3 cents.

So again the unfortunate Mr. CAREY stumbles on the statement that the hundred bushels of wheat brought to the farmer, in 1859, 161 1-9 bags of Liverpool ground salt at ninety cents per bag, whereas now they bring but 51 12-13 bags at $2 60 per bag; and he seeks to escape by the highly poetic statement of this salt costing $1 80 per bag in 1859. Here again the same unlucky tables give the price for every month of 1859, and it begins with ninety cents and never rises above ninety-five till December, when it reached $1 07. In 1859 the wheat above mentioned was equal to 2,625 pounds of codfish, but in 1866 only to 1,800 pounds, at $7 50 per 100 pounds. Of this important article for the farmer Mr. CAREY hands up a price of $6 per 100 pounds, in 1859. But here again the tables of our business journals show an unfortunate concurrence with Mr. WELLS, giving the price at the beginning of the year at $6 50, and at the end at $7 50.

How a writer, professing to be a statistician and political economist, as does Mr. CAREY, could fall into so many mistakes of mere figures, which any close examination of tables could correct, is remarkable. If an attempt is thus made to impose on the agricultural public, it will be a most unfortunate one for its authors, as the farmers are sufficiently intelligent to understand all such devices to hoodwink them.

The truth is, that the great class on whose prosperity all business rests, is now beginning to feel most keenly the inequalities both of the tariff and the monetary system. The price of their great product—wheat—is determined by its gold price on the European markets, which is now very low. But all their expenses are determined by the tariff. The farmer receives 24 per cent. less for his flour than he did ten years ago; 14 per cent. less for his wheat; 7 per cent. less for his rye; less for corn; less for potatoes. For hay he gets in our market 26 per cent. less than in 1860; for wool 26 per cent. less. But when he must buy, all his necessaries are advanced. Turk's Island salt is 110 per cent. higher; English bar iron, 70 per cent.; carpets, 44 per cent., (in gold;) men's boots, 28 per cent. higher in gold; red lead paint, 40 per cent. cut nails, 61 per cent.; lime, 68 per cent.; and brown sheeting 50 per cent. higher in 1870 than in 1860.

Congress has "nearly "protected" shipbuilding out of existence; they seem to be in a fair way of driving agriculture to the wall in a similar manner. The tariff now falls with crushing weight on the great producing class of the country; increasing the price of everything they consume, while no bounties or duties or protection can raise the price of their own products, as they compete in the free market of the world. They receive all the injuries and none of the benefits of a high tariff. The farmers are like the shipbuilders—they must pay duties on all their implements and raw material, but they must sell under free trade. Mr. CAREY'S nostrum of imaginative statistics will not reconcile them to this order of things.

The New Alliance—Can We Have Honest Elections?

The City Democracy is now on its trial, and by its course during the next few months its future will be in no small degree decided. It is quite obvious that the public at large would gain very little by the abolition of one "Ring" if another of the same kind were to be instantly substituted for it. But we have already expressed what appear to us cogent reasons for believing that the new coalition recognize the importance of liberating their party from the dead weight of City misgovernment. Republicans ought not in this matter to be blinded by partisanship. "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" we hear them exclaiming, and their incredulity prevents them taking advantage of the present disruption of Tammany to further the ends of good government. Now is the time to strike for purity of election, for an honest administration of the public funds, for a reform of the Judiciary. We shall believe that the Democratic coalition against the "Ring" meant to assist in accomplishing these objects, if for no other reason, because their own safety depends on their success.

A "Western Democrat" has written to the *World* to complain that the example of New-York is gradually sapping Democracy, even in remote States. He says that people talk thus to the Democrats: "Look at the Democratic City of New-York—there is not such a misgoverned, becursed and wronged community on earth. Even there the people are beginning to rebel against that despotism of thieves and robbers." We have often warned Democrats of all sections that this is the sort of argument they would eventually have to face. Now, to suppose that the new alliance merely intend to perpetuate the present scandals in a slightly different form, is to attribute to them so shortsighted and infatuated a policy, that we shall hesitate to believe any body of men could be foolish enough to pursue it, until we see some proof to the contrary.

In point of fact, we think we may speculate with some confidence on the probability of a reform of the Judiciary being attempted in the present session of the Legislature, based perhaps upon the Judiciary Amendment carried at the last election amid the acclamations of the whole people. These Judges, at least, will be removed. We shall have more to say about those Judges by and bye.

There is also likely to be a charter which will be a great improvement on anything we have had for some time past. The coalition against the "Ring" cannot fail to see that this is one of the first duties pressing upon them. By their action in this particular will they be judged. The public do not care so much for "men" as for "measures." Some members of the existing "Ring" are not to [illegible] odious as others. Every individual connected with the new alliance may not stand very high in public estimation. But these are minor questions. The great point is—what are the public to get? That inquiry has hitherto only been put by the interest of wire-pullers and corruptionists. Now we hear the public asking, "How much do you mean to give us?" If the new party will make it worth the while of the public to support them, their permanent victory over their fellow Democrats may be considered established. The *World* holds to its ground firmly. It says, in reference to our complaints that it will not specify the Judges it assails, "We have chosen to reverse the policy of *Lafayette* in the 'Duke's Motto'—'First the Valets, then the Master.'" It will bring down the masters first—then the false Judges, who are the valets. Very good—that arrangement will be satisfactory to the public. We want an upright Government and an honest Judiciary, and we shall not discredit the motives of any one or any party willing to assist us in winning those inestimable blessings.

All reforms, however, will be comparatively useless unless we can secure fair elections. The Citizens' Association do not exaggerate our present condition when they say, "It is a fact that the honest voters of our City have at last become virtually disfranchised. When the Legislature gives us a pure ballot, a system calculated to protect the vote and prevent fraudulent returns, then our people will have no fear of trusting local power in local hands." The Legislature can most undoubtedly do much in the present session to comply with these demands. The Republicans, by carefully watching their opportunities, and combining with the malcontents whenever the interests of the public suggest that step, can rescue us from the tyranny of the "repeaters" and personifiers. This is the policy which we have strongly recommended ever since the *World* raised its somewhat startling cry of "No Surrender." If, by coalescing with Democrats, we can get a Government "Republican" in form, if not in name, it would be absolutely wicked not to adopt these tactics. Of course we are not supposing that the insurgent Democrats are fighting in the interests of Republicans. But while they fight for wholesome reforms and purity of government, they are in reality fighting our battle, whatever they may choose to call it, or whatever may be their own private motives for undertaking it. Let us, then, take advantage of this crisis, and turn it to good account for the public. The Legislature ought to render it possible for us to secure straightforward elections—the people will in time do the rest. Meanwhile, the Ring had better fold its dirty robes around it, and give up the ghost quietly.

The Scheme of Postal Telegraphy.

Mr. ORTON's clear, strong and logical statement to the Senate Committee on Post-Offices, ought to give a quietus to the mischievous project which that Committee has lately entertained for throwing upon the Government the business of telegraphy.

European Powers have always been accustomed to do many things through governmental machinery which our political system has left to private enterprise. The centralization of power in those States, and the custom of their people to look to official authorities for commercial schemes which we here leave to the community, renders all analogies of this sort suspicious at the outset.

When, in addition, the matter inquired about pivots on a question of distance, the folly of comparing what can be done in Belgium, Switzerland, or even in Great Britain, with what must be done in the vast area of our Union, is manifest. The countries cited to the Committee in order to persuade our Government to embark on a kind of business it has never yet attempted, are the most thickly settled in Europe. The amount of telegraphic business possible for every mile of wire set up is exceedingly great; but to compare this with the waste places over which our lines are in great part run,—thousands of miles to East, West, North, South,—is preposterous. And then, besides the difference in population and in quantity of trade to the square mile, the difference in actual area between a little country that would hardly make a good-sized American State, and which could be covered with a network of telegraphs at small expense, and our continent washed by two oceans and stretching from the Lakes to the Gulf, should bar such hostile comparisons.

The lavish outlays of the existing companies, have been disingenuously cited against them. The truth is that for a vast area like our country the only hope of competing in public works with older Powers is to stimulate enterprise with the hope of reward, and make capital prompt to endure unusual expenses. To snatch away the possibility of reward when the work is done, is to kill all enterprise.

Again, in this deceptive and fanciful analogy, the rates in this country are represented as being higher than in Europe. Mr. ORTON's statistics absolutely disprove this assertion. "The rates are not higher in the United States, according to distance, than in any European country, and are lower than in several. The average rate between New-York and thirty-seven principal cities, is one and one-tenth mills per mile; that between London and thirty-two principal cities in Great Britain is two and one-tenth mills per mile under governmental telegraphy. Between the principal cities in Baden, the rate averages four mills per mile; in Belgium, it is two and five-tenths mills; in Holland, three and nine-tenths. In Paris, they approach nearer our rates, the average being one and two-tenths mills per mile; and the population of France is almost identical with ours, namely, forty millions, though much more concentrated. Besides all this, the night rates in this country are just about one-half the average rates for like distances charged in any European country.

The most cogent and important part of Mr. ORTON's statement, however, is that referring to the difference of rates depending on the quantity of business in the region. It should seem hardly necessary to show to any merchant who knows how a very large order for any article can be filled at a lower rate than a small order, why this discrepancy exists. But Mr. ORTON's reply was that the Post Office itself annually receives $3,000,000 over its expenses in the Eastern and Middle States, while the Southern division shows a deficit of $1,600,000, and the Western a deficit of $1,000,000 more; and he appeals to the Government whether a private corporation would be expected to perform telegraphic service at the same rate there, where even letter service shows a deficit, at the same rates as at the East. The Government, in undertaking it at a lower rate, would have the same deficit.

In fine, Mr. ORTON declares that, if the same privilege be conceded to his Company that is to be conceded by the new bill to Mr. HUBBARD's Company, namely, freedom from Government taxes, he will at once reduce all the present rates by one-seventh, which represents the tax. Again, give the present companies the free right of way along railways in all the States, which Mr. HUBBARD's bill proposes for the new company, and one-seventh more will be taken from the rates. And, when this is done, Congress is welcome to arrange for the reduction of rates after paying ten per cent. to the stockholders. Unjust and contrary to the spirit of our Government as it would be to so interfere, the sincerity of this proposition will serve to strip some of the sophisms from the scheme of postal telegraphy.

The Reconstruction Committee proposes to readmit Georgia subject to the conditions which have been applied to Virginia and Mississippi. It could scarcely do otherwise. These extra conditions have little intrinsic excellence; their constitutionality and wisdom may both be open to criticism. But, whatever their value, they express the rule finally adopted, and that to which Texas will undoubtedly be required to submit. Why should Georgia be exempted from its operation? Its position, so far as the Federal Government is concerned, is at this moment identical with that of Virginia before restoration. Let there be even-handed justice in the matter. If any in Georgia suffer, let them remember that they may thank themselves for any inconvenience which may result from the adoption of the Reconstruction Committee's suggestion.

Senator FENTON, we are glad to know, does not halt between two opinions on the subject of taxation. He is for reduction, prompt and decisive. He holds that it is now the duty of the Government to relieve the people from the excessive burdens they at present sustain. The approach of specie payments renders this duty more urgent. If taxation remain unchanged, he well remarks, "We actually augment the burdens of the people; to retain the same virtual taxation we must decrease the nominal rate." Apart from this consideration, the load must be lightened, and Mr. FENTON is willing to lighten it.

"He believed that the interests of the people ever required a positive reduction, not only in the nominal but in the virtual rate of taxation. The system of taxation should also be simplified so that it should apply to few articles, and select the luxuries rather than the necessities of life."

These words have the right ring. They express the popular feeling, and will be interpreted as a sign that Mr. FENTON will be found at the proper time in the ranks of the revenue reformers.

The House has had a fit of economy, and cut down a few insignificant items connected with the maintenance of the President's house. The saving thus effected to the country amounts to some few thousand dollars. Meantime, millions are lost to the people through extravagance on a large scale, through a blundering system of revenue, through neglect and carelessness in all directions. It is cheap economy to cut down the President's "little bill," but it is much to be wished that Congress would give the people more substantial benefits to be thankful for.

The objectionable features in Collector BAILEY's proceedings against various firms engaged in the liquor trade do not become less serious as the investigation proceeds. The Collector has obviously adopted an extremely arbitrary course throughout, and brought much suspicion on himself by the means he has taken to bolster it up. The character of two of his witnesses is such as to justify the rejection of any evidence they might offer. Then, again, a clerk in the employ of one of the firms prosecuted by Mr. BAILEY has been bribed to give testimony against that firm—that is to say, he was promised, and has received, a place under Government for swearing to certain evidence against his old employers. This we call a bribe. What weight can be attached to evidence thus manufactured? First of all Collector BAILEY seizes the books of a firm, and then suborns the servants of that firm to appear as witnesses against them. Was there ever so extraordinary a proceeding seen in a constitutional country? To seize the books of a business firm and carry them off is a despotic measure enough—to bribe up the clerks of the firms thus treated makes the matter still worse. Collector BAILEY's zeal—or whatever his guiding motive may be—is rapidly exceeding his discretion. Is it not enough to proceed according to the ordinary rules of law? Why go into a man's house and pay his servants to swear against him?

It is certainly a curious sign of the times in France, to find NAPOLEON's First Minister supported in the Legislative Body by the men of the Left, and denounced by the majority of that body for being too liberal—for wanting to go too fast! And yet, perhaps, M. OLLIVIER does not consider that a very deadly defect which gives him the good will of these left-handed singers, cers for a day, and perhaps, also, he understands the meaning of the old French proverb—*rendre pour mieux saisir*. It is hard to believe that such a practiced hand has made a blunder in the first setting off.

Mr. STUART MILL has been trying to theorize about the Chinese in Western America, and the latter have been disconcerting his theories. He first feared the Celestials would overrun the United States; which they have not done, and evidently do not mean to do, being disposed, for the most part, to go back again. He is now willing to think that those coming to this country and returning to their own will take home with them some better habits of civilized life. And yet there may be too much theory here also, since the habits of many of our Western pioneers are not so much better than those of the semi-Hottentots themselves—not much to choose between them certainly. But time will, no doubt, settle what is so puzzling to the philosopher; and we help to it, that proposed law of Congress, to prevent any special [illegible] of Chinese immigrants, is a thing to be generally approved of.

It appears from a case reported in the papers that the practice of child stealing is a growing one in this City. Are children really becoming so scarce as to cause apprehension to reach a high price in the market? BRIDGET GLASON, a poor woman from Goshen, has had reason to think so, she was wandering about the streets when a woman came up to her and made her acquaintance. She greatly admired an infant Mrs. GLASON carried in her arms, and said she knew a lady on Madison-avenue who would be very glad to adopt it. What did BRIDGET GLASON do under these trying circumstances—"swop" the child for a glass of rum? No—maternal love triumphed, and the tempter retired crestfallen. But a foolish nurse girl might have been led astray by the strange woman. If children are at a premium it will be necessary for happy mothers to be careful into whose hands they commit the priceless charge. The alleged child stealer is in custody, and if the Justice allows her to go without an examination we may expect an indescriminate rising of the fair sex, and the instant administration of lynch law.

House owners may as well acknowledge, more generally than they do, that the public look for a revision of the high rents for the past few years. The growing tendency among the occupiers of residences is in an economical direction. It is felt by very many people that they have been spending too great a portion of their income upon house rent alone. While various articles of clothing and domestic consumption have fallen considerably, it is but natural that a similar decline should be looked for as to dwellings. In fact, it is a necessary incident of a return to ante-war prices, so far as that be possible. The same applies to stores. The percentage of expenses of business entailed by these has been, in many cases, out of all proportion to the extent of the business itself. Families and business men alike should be encouraged to remain where they are by that liberality which, in the end, is true wisdom.

Mr. BARRY SULLIVAN recently attempted to establish a home for "legitimate drama" in England. He failed—though Mrs. WOOD appears to have succeeded in the same design in another part of the town. Legitimate drama in Holborn is something like opening the Bowery Theatre for the performance of the "old-fashioned" comedies. Mr. SULLIVAN lost £6,000 in his experiment. A "noble lady" heard of this, and at once sent him a check for $10,000. That will comfort his banker, if Mr. SULLIVAN's artistic sense is not gratified. Now, will the same "noble lady" come over here with a few checks? The opera and Tammany managers would give her a cordial reception. She might live here altogether, and constantly find means of doing good. Poor Tammany will want her, especially the grand Sachems who have been accustomed to hold noisy performances there, and are now standing on the brink of ruin.

GUSTAVE FLOURENS, having been sentenced to three years' imprisonment, will probably himself change the sentence to exile for that time—or longer. His attempt, by his own showing, was even more ridiculous than the general reports made it; and in reading his account of the scuffling with the Commissary of Police at the omnibus barricade, one is at a loss to know whether he has collared the Commissary or the Commissary has collared him. He and his forces meet two soldiers whom they disarm "tenderly," and then they meet two others and a Sergeant who show no "tenderness" in return, and, in fact, change the entire current of the insurrection by "charging bayonets." And yet being a *fait-monter*, he may accept his failure as a kind of good omen, and call it his Boulogne or his Strasbourg, hoping for his "Second of December" next time.

That the good men do "lives after them" is not more certain than that the influence which Mr. BURLINGAME exercised upon our relations with China will survive his untimely death. We may regret very deeply that he was not spared to carry out his magnificent design for the furtherance of mutual intercourse, but at the same time we should remember that his most difficult task had been already accomplished. It was he who brought about a thorough personal introduction between ourselves and the Celestials. Whatever else follows, his labors will be assisted by mutual knowledge, and, what is more, esteem. A recent statement by the Governor-General of one of the most important Chinese provinces was to the effect that America was one of the best friends of China. Every member of the Embassy which passed across this continent, and was received with genuine hospitality everywhere, must hold the same opinion.

AMUSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous Notes.

The Theatre Francais was occupied last evening by a very appreciative audience, gathered on the occasion of M. GIRARDSTUCK's benefit. M. GIRARDSTUCK was a tenor of the opera troupe whose misfortunes have been repeatedly written of here, and is a cultured and industrious artist. It is, therefore, pleasant to record that the compliment of a benefit-night tendered him was not an empty one. "La Dame Blanche" was the opera, and was sung with great fidelity, M. GIRARDSTUCK and Mme. GIRARDSTUCK-FERRAL filling the leading parts. It is proper to add that many of the spectators yesterday were a portion of the audience assembled in the house on Tuesday last, and that their presence and expressed satisfaction implied the perfect adjustment of difficulties growing out of the event of the early part of the week, which, by less liberal and skilled management than that of Mr. GRAU, might have had an unfortunate influence on the future prosperity of the theatre....The second rehearsal of the Philharmonic Society, previous to the Fourth Concert, was as largely attended yesterday afternoon, as these concerts always are. Messrs. RUETZEL, GUILMANN, BOSSE, LOEBE and SCHMITZ are the several artists who will take part in the Quintette. Mrs. DAVENPORT had a semi-private rehearsal, at the close of the regular rehearsal. The few persons present were much pleased with the lady's singing, and we are glad that we are to have an opportunity of hearing her voice at the next concert....Mrs. HOWARD PAUL, contralto; Mr. J. R. SILESBY, tenor; Mr. F. L. EBEN, flutist; and Mr. D. PRAME, CELLO, organist, are the artists to appear at the Saturday concert at Association Hall this afternoon....Mr. GEO. W. MORGAN will be the organist in Fifteenth Church to-day. Mr. W. A. KEMPER's orchestra will also be heard there....."Faust" will be the play at Booth's this night. Mrs. EMMA WALLER is to act FRONEL.

The Murder of John Sterritt—Seven Arrests.

PATRICK FITZPATRICK, of No. 420 West Fortieth-street, and JAMES BYRAND, of No. 420 West Fortieth-street, were arraigned at the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday before Judge SCOTT, by Officers BUTCHER and MCCARTHY, of the Sixteenth Precinct, on suspicion of being concerned in the murder of JOHN MURRAY, who was beaten to death by a gang of roughs in front of his residence, No. 158 Tenth-avenue, on the night of the 1st of January. The prisoners were committed to await the disposition of the Coroner.

ALBANY.

Passage of the Canal Bill and Similar Measures, Hell—The Ring and Anti-Ring Wrangle—Nominations in Brooklyn—Out of Office.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, Feb. 28, 1868.

The Senate this morning passed HAMMERSMITH's Canal bill, by a party vote, with all its iniquities and absurdities, thus giving to the Canal Board power to increase the Democratic vote to any extent, and at any expense to the State. This is a good sample of what the Democracy calls "honest legislation." They also passed, without opposition, the Assembly bill to reorganize the Court of Special Sessions, which now only awaits the Governor's signature to become a law. Among the new bills introduced was one by Senator HUNTLEY to abolish so much of the Metropolitan Police law as relates to the City of Brooklyn, and to elect two Commissioners of Police for that city by the people. The new Commissioners, together with the Mayor, are to constitute a Board having entire control over the Police of Brooklyn.

RING AND ANTI-RING.

Senator GERRY contradicts in the most emphatic terms the rumor set afloat last evening and telegraphed to the New-York papers that the "Ring" and "anti-Ring" forces had coalesced and were now harmonious. He says the "Ring" are constantly getting up such reports in order to give the impression that their opponents are weak kneed and on the verge of "caving," but that there is not a word of truth in it and never will be. He says the only possibility of union rests on the Ring's coming in to the support of the charter which the anti-Ring are going to present next week, and which, he claims, will be, or ought to be, satisfactory to everybody who desires a good government for New-York. The facts, as near as can be ascertained, are that the Ring have concluded to back down, but they don't want to lose prestige by having it appear that they are defeated, and so they are going in for the anti-Ring charter with such amendments as they can get, and thus steal all their opponents' thunder. What the dear people are to get by all this jugglery of the Democratic factions will perhaps be made apparent when the new charter shows itself. The test of the sincerity of either faction in their pretence of desiring to give a good government for New-York will be the passage of a law to secure what New-York has not had for ten years past—an honest election. Until this is done all amendments to the charter, as the Citizens' Association well says, will be useless.

LEGISLATING A REPUBLICAN OUT OF OFFICE.

MOSSHOLDER's bill to abolish the office of Superintendent of Salt Springs and empower the Governor to appoint a "Commissioner" to perform its duties came up for a third reading this morning, and gave rise to a good deal of excitement. Mr. ALVORD, who represents the Syracuse salt interest has got the unenviable reputation of affiliating with the New-York members and supporting all their little "jobs" with the supposed object of getting their assistance in return to defeat any bill inimical to the salt monopoly. Much curiosity was therefore felt to see how the New-Yorkers would reciprocate his favors. Several of them asked to be excused from voting, but the House refused to excuse them, and they were compelled to face the music. The result was that Mr. ALVORD got only two votes out of the entire New-York delegation against MOSSHOLDER's bill. One of these was CAMPBELL's, whose bill to create a clerkship to the Board of Police Commissioners ALVORD advocated, and the other was BERGEN's. KIRKMAN said he did not like to vote against his friend ALVORD, but he "must go with his party." Colonel MIGHTY took the same ground. To cap the climax of ALVORD's mortification CAMPBELL subsequently arose to a question of privilege, and asked to change his to the affirmative, on the pretence that he thought "that it was a mere personal matter, but had since learned that it was political." The Republican members are highly pleased with the result of the vote which secured the passage of the bill, for it has shown Mr. ALVORD, and others who may be disposed to follow in his footsteps, how much they have to expect as a reward for doing the dirty work of the New-York Democracy. The bill merely turns a Republican out of office to make room for a Democrat, and is a species of legislation which Governor HOFFMAN, who will be called upon to sign it, has repeatedly condemned in the strongest terms.

CANAL APPROPRIATION.

The Senate bill appropriating $1,685,800 for the support and maintenance of the canals of the State, passed the House to-day without amendment. This is by far the largest canal appropriation that has been made for many years, and it is accounted on the ground that the last Legislature failed to make any appropriation at all.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST CORPORATIONS.

The following is the bill introduced by Senator MURPHY in the Senate some time ago, regarding proceedings against corporations by injunction and otherwise, which was yesterday passed to a third reading:

SECTION 1. An injunction to suspend the general and ordinary business of a corporation or joint-stock association, or to suspend from office any director, trustee or manager of a corporation or joint-stock association, or to restrain or prohibit any director, trustee or manager of a corporation or joint stock association from the performance of his duties as such, shall not be granted except by the Court of Appeals, or a judge thereof, at least eight days after application thereof to the proper officers of the corporation, or the director, trustee or manager to be enjoined or restrained; and an injunction granted for any of said purposes by the Court or Judge shall upon the notice in this section prescribed, shall be void.

SEC. 2. A director, trustee or manager, or other officer of any joint stock

EUROPEAN NEWS BY MAIL.

ARRIVAL OF THE BREMEN STEAMSHIP UNION.

The steamship *Union*, which left Bremen Feb. 12 and Southampton Feb. 13, reached this port last night. Her advices are dated by two days later than were those as sent by the *Cambria*.

The death of LEIGH WILSON, the well-known tenor, and of Mr. GEORGE HOGARTH, is announced. Mr. HOGARTH, for many years well known in connection with the London newspaper Press, and as the author of several popular works on music, (*Memoirs of the Opera, Musical Biography and Criticism, &c.*) had passed his eighty-sixth year. In his early life he was a writer to the Signet in Edinburgh, where he was much associated with the literary celebrities of the day, including Sir WALTER SCOTT, LOCKHART, &c., mention being made of him in Professor WILSON's "Noctes Ambrosianæ." In 1830 he came to London, and from 1846 to 1864 was critic to the *Daily News*.

A Constantinople telegram asserts that the question of the ironclads is now finally disposed of, the Porte undertaking to take upon itself the responsibilities of the Khédive towards the conqueror. A telegram from Cairo also contradicts the rumors of warlike preparations on the part of the Khédive. On the contrary, it states the standing army has been reduced to an effective force of 18,000 men. The relations of the Porte with the Khédive are, the telegram adds, most satisfactory.

The *Phare du Bosphore* states that the Turco-Greek naturalization question has been settled on the basis of the Russian Treaty of 1868. Inhabitants of the Turkish Empire who became Greek subjects by naturalization before 1868, will be recognized as such by the Porte, but the title of those who have been naturalized since that time is to be examined by a special commission.

The *Liberté* says that an unusual degree of activity is displayed in the communications of the French Foreign Office with General FLEURY. It is presumed that all the dispatches exchanged relative to Rumania, and the attitude of Prussia and Russia on this question. At the same time the *Liberté* states that scarcely a single day passes without an interview between Prince METTERNICH and the Emperor or Count DARU. This again is attributed to Bavarian affairs, and the agreement between Austria and France on this subject is reported as being most complete.

A dispatch had been received from Sir RUTHERFORD ALCOCK with regard to the supplementary convention to the treaty of Tientsin. Sir RUTHERFORD points out the necessity in which he was placed of considering the demands of other Powers upon the Chinese, and he expresses the opinion that on the whole the convention is an important step towards the extension of trade with China. He attaches especial importance to the conditional and qualified right of temporary residence in some of the inland provinces, and to remitting the demands of vessels up the rivers. Much of the success of the treaty will depend upon these concessions being judiciously made use of.

The *Times* has reason to believe there have been of late frequent communications between the Court of the Tuileries and that of the Vatican from a perfectly reliable to Papal pretensions. The Papal Government has been clearly informed that, whatever reverence France may feel for the spiritual authority of the Holy See she cannot, as a constitutional country, entertain any sympathy with the narrow system of a b[illegible] temporal power is conducted. The Pope is strongly urged to go back to his own schemes of 1847, which announced the secularization of the Administration, municipal institutions, popular representation in a Consulta, Council, or Chamber, a free Press, and the establishment of a civil guard. It has been further signified to his Holiness that, in volunteering these suggestions, the Imperial Government does not in the least intend to make the continuance of the French troops in the Roman States conditional upon the Pope's compliance with its friendly advice, as the recall of those troops is with the Emperor's Government a settled purpose.

THE ALABAMA

Fresh Dispatch from Lord Clarendon to Mr. Thornton.

There has just been issued from the Foreign Office, in continuation of the *Alabama* papers, the correspondence which passed between the English and American Governments from the 10th of June, 1869, to the 12th of January, 1870. The two most important of the papers now published, namely, Mr. FISH's dispatch to Mr. MOTLEY, of the 26th of September, 1869, and the reply of Lord CLARENDON, dated Nov. 8, 1869, have already appeared. The only fresh correspondence is a dispatch from Mr. THORNTON, and Lord CLARENDON's reply. The reply to the dispatch which is here published, Mr. FISH's expressed hope of an amicable arrangement of all the questions at issue ran thus:

THE EARL OF CLARENDON TO MR. THORNTON.

FOREIGN OFFICE, Jan. 12, 1870.

SIR: Mr. MOTLEY has this day read to me a dispatch dated the 23d ult., from Mr. FISH, stating that among the papers respecting the *Alabama* claims that had been presented to the Senate he had not included my dispatch of the 6th of November, and the memorandum it inclosed, which he did not consider to be official, as the memorandum was not signed or dated, and as in my other dispatch of the same date I had said that Her Majesty's Government did not propose to follow Mr. FISH through the long recapitulation contained in his dispatch of the 26th of September, of the various occasions on the voluminous correspondence that had taken place between the two Governments for several years.

I said that this decision of Mr. FISH's, which seemed to be founded on a mistake, was much to be lamented; and I stated that this dispatch of the 26th of September had been read with surprise and regret by Her Majesty's Government; but, after due deliberation, they had determined to extract from it such passages as might be considered friendly and exhibiting a desire for the extinctment of differences, in order to place on record the cordial concurrence of Her Majesty's Government in those sentiments, and their readiness to resume negotiations, although for obvious reasons no fresh proposal could originate with them. By adopting this course, and abstaining from controversial discussion, it was thought by the Queen's Government that it would be a convenient form to distinctly indicate; but it was impossible that the allegations against England contained in Mr. FISH's dispatch should remain unanswered, or that the people of either country should be induced to think that Her Majesty's Government had allowed judgment to go by default; and I accordingly in a separate dispatch inclosed the observations that, in our opinion, the national honor required.

Her Majesty's Government thereby followed the example of Mr. FISH, who had made a distinction between Her Majesty's Government and myself; he, in order, as he said, to speak calmly and dispassionately, and with a more unreserved freedom than might be used in a dispatch addressed directly to the Queen's Government, what the Government of the United States seriously considered to be the injuries it had suffered. My colleagues and I, however, did not consider the dispatch as personal or confidential to myself, or other than as an official communication from the Government of the United States.

In the same manner, I added, my second dispatch of the 6th of November could not be considered otherwise than as an official communication. The memorandum it inclosed was not signed or dated, for that was not customary or necessary; but the dispatch in which it was inclosed was both dated and signed, and the document was placed in Mr. FISH's hands, and a copy of it in my hands.

I did not question the right of Mr. FISH to deal with the correspondence in any manner he thought fit, but that, for my own part, I must say that in presenting a correspondence to Parliament I should not think it right to withhold the observations of a foreign Government upon an important dispatch of mine that had been officially communicated to it.

The publication of the correspondence was, in my opinion, to be regretted, as having a tendency to protract discussion and not to allay irritation; but when it became known here that the correspondence had been sent to the Senate, Her Majesty's Government had no other alternative than to publish the whole, as the British public had a right to expect that important information should be furnished to them by their own Government, and not be derived from the newspapers of another country.

Mr. MOTLEY, in a friendly tone, supported the views of Mr. FISH, and a conversation followed upon the general subject, which I do not think it necessary to report, because Mr. MOTLEY desired that it should not be considered to have an official character, as negotiations, if they were resumed, would be conducted at Washington. I am, &c. (Signed.) CLARENDON.

LIBELED BOUCICAULT.

The Pall Mall Gazette Sued by the Dramatist.

From the Pall Mall Gazette, Feb. 14.

Mr. MONTAGU WILLIAMS applied to Mr. KNOX, at the Marlborough-street Police Court, on Feb. 12, for a summons against the printer and publisher of the *Pall Mall Gazette* for a libel which he ventured to think was of a serious nature. The *Pall Mall Gazette* was originally an evening paper; it had since become extended in size, and in addition to an evening, was published as a morning paper. Now, he did not know whether the proprietor was anxious to obtain notoriety in this way or not, but he certainly had published as gross a libel on Mr. BOUCICAULT as had ever been published in any newspaper. Mr. BOUCICAULT was an author of celebrity, and had no objection to any criticisms of the Free—fair and impartial criticisms—on his writings. If criticisms were made in fine moral way, no complaint whatever would be also made. But what Mr. BOUCICAULT had to allege was, that a gentleman who was a stranger to this country, who was a writer of fiction, and who had published a work which was in course of publication at the time of the alleged libel, had, in a simply because he knew all such things well, and because he was (as Mr. CHATTERTON explained in the Times some months ago) that the English public likes this kind of subject. The writer, by the way, evidently meant to say that Mr. BOUCICAULT did not move in such circles, and would be unable him to give better things. There would be no doubt that such was the meaning of what he had read. Now, he apprehended, if they took the words of the first extract along with the words he had just read, "A writer of this school depicts Society, that any other on the medium in which he lives," it would seem that the mendo of the writer of the letter was that Mr. BOUCICAULT associated with forgers and swindlers, insinuating, in fact, that this was the medium in which he lived. Mr. BOUCICAULT, as he had already said, was open to fair criticism, and if the proprietors of the *Pall Mall Gazette* thought to drive his publications into popularity by such assertions, Mr. BOUCICAULT said he should not do so by these attacks upon him. Mr. KNOX said it seemed to him a fair construction to say that the second paragraph was libelous. Mr. M. WILLIAMS proposed merely to rely on the latter portion of the article, for they conveyed to his mind, and would do the same to the minds of every sensible person reading them, that Mr. BOUCICAULT lived in a medium of swindlers and bad characters. Mr. KNOX said he thought, after reading the article, that a magistrate would scarcely take upon himself to say he would withhold the case from a jury. He thought it was proper and right to have the matter investigated, and he should therefore grant the summons.

(*The Pall Mall Gazette* publishes, in connection with the above account, a letter from "Asaphus Butler" to the editor, assuring him that he had no intention whatever of writing a libel on Mr. BOUCICAULT.—Times.)

SKATING.

The Ball Up at Central Park for the First Time this Season—The Private Rinks.

Yesterday the skating season opened at Central Park—within three days of the close of Winter! In the morning the red ball on the arsenal went up for the first time since the season of 1868-9, and the flags on the cars of the various lines announced the fact to the skaters in the City. The cold blustering day, however, was not inviting to out-door sport, and before noon very few persons visited the lake. The ice was about three inches thick, and, though not of the best quality, was considered strong enough for general use as long as the sun did not affect it.

In the afternoon a larger crowd flocked to the Park, in anticipation of much fun and enjoyment, but they were doomed to disappointment. About o'clock the ball was lowered. The ice had been decided to be unsafe for the large number of skaters who would probably visit the lake, and accordingly no one was allowed upon it in the latter part of the day.

This morning the ball will be up again, and all who wish to be sure of an opportunity to try their new unused runners must start out early.

The lake has been frozen over but once before this Winter, on Christmas, and in no previous season since the completion of the lake, if the cold snap continues, there may be a week's skating there yet in store for lovers of the art and sport.

The smaller ponds and rinks were all in tolerable condition, and were very well patronized, considering how the air nipped ears and fingers yesterday. The Humpty Dumpty Rink was open all day and evening. Among the crack skaters present were Mr. PETER WEAVER, of Philadelphia, in his time one of the best in the country; his cousin, Major WEAVER, and two sons, one of whom skated quite well. To-day there will be races for boys at the rink, with medals as prizes. The ice at the rink is in fine condition.

Religious Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

A public meeting, attended by about one hundred and twenty persons, a number of them ladies, was held in the Twenty-third-street Reformed Presbyterian Church last evening. Rev. Dr. A. STEVENSON was called to the chair and opened the meeting with prayer. A call for a national convention, to meet at Pittsburg, Penn., on the 3d and 4th of March, in behalf of "constitutional recognition of Almighty God and the Christian religion in the United States" was read, as were also the following resolutions:

Resolved, That nations are moral persons, and as such are under the obligations to the "Most High God, who reigneth in the kingdom of men," to submit themselves to the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, Who is the Governor among the nations, and to take His revealed will as the law of their life; that rulers and those who make laws, and those who execute laws, are under the same obligations to God as other men, or rulers in administering them, may ignore or deny these facts, they cannot free themselves from the authority of Him who is "King of kings and Lord of lords."

Resolved, That, in reference to this duty of nations and civil rulers, reform is greatly needed in our land, because the Constitution of the United States utterly ignores the being of God, containing no reference to Him even in the oath which it prescribes; it contains no allusion to the authority of God, as the ultimate source of all civil rule; no submission to the authority of Jesus Christ, who has all power in heaven and in earth given to Him, and professes no submission to the law of God revealed in the Scriptures, which, if followed, would enable a people to perform its duty to God, but fails also to give, in its fundamental law, proper expression to the character of its providential constitution, which is Christian, and not Jewish, Mohammedan, or Pagan.

Resolved, That our interest in the welfare and prosperity of the nation; our regard for the authority of God and the claims of Jesus our King; our desire to promote the salvation of souls, are greatly hindered by corruptions of all manner. Government; our wish to avert the outpouring of God's desolating judgments; all impel us to call upon this nation to profess the religion of God in its fundamental law.

Resolved, That the small majority of Jews, infidels, and those who join with them in their outcry against this reform, have no right to hinder this nation from acknowledging God in the allegiance to Him in its written Constitution, as the slaveholders and their abettors had no right to hinder the nation from proclaiming liberty throughout all the land, and as infidels and Papists have no right to abrogate the laws enacted to secure the observance of the Christian Sabbath.

Resolved, That the use of the Bible in our public schools, our Sabbath laws, our recognition of God and prayer in Congress, and in the army and navy, and the observance of public fasts and thanksgivings, which commend themselves to the Christian sense of the nation, yet need this national and constitutional acknowledgment of God, of His Christ and of the Christian religion, as forming an impregnable legal barrier against the determined efforts now made to abolish them.

Resolved, That all true Christians should labor and pray that this nation should become a kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and that the National Association for Securing the Religious Amendment of the Constitution, in laboring for the attainment of this great object, is entitled to the prayers of all friends of our country and the cause of God.

Addresses were made in support of the resolutions by Rev. R. S. WILLSON, Rev. J. M. JOHNSTON, of Washington, Rev. JAMES BOGGS and Rev. J. C. MILLIGAN, and the resolutions were adopted. Twenty delegates to the Convention named were appointed, and the meeting then adjourned.

The Missing Steamer City of Boston—Dangers of the North Passage.

No tidings in regard to the missing steamer *City of Boston* were received by Mr. DALE, last evening, and her fate is still enveloped in mystery.

A letter from a sea captain is published by the Washington *Chronicle*, in which is pointed out the danger attendant on crossing the Atlantic at this season. Until July, he says, the ice is affoat and fields of it, miles upon miles in length and breadth, will be met with on a too northerly passage. That was the fate of the *United Kingdom*. She left New-York on the 19th of April, 1868. Her Captain had science on the brain, but no discretion; he headed for Cape Race, and he landed the *United Kingdom* late in June, in an iceberg, or field of ice, that destroyed her ship so suddenly that none were left to tell the tale. The writer of this left New-York on the 21st of April, and the Captain (GUARD, of the Union line.) gave Cape Race a 200 miles space, kept south of the Banks of Newfoundland, and saw no ice. This same Captain of the *City of Boston* has, to my knowledge, been in the ice forty-eight hours, on account of his high-latitude sailing; and I do not hesitate to say that so long as they continue it, at this season of the year there will be missing steamers. Capt. GUARD, in his

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HON. WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

His Arrival in This City Last Evening—A Committee of the Common Council Tender Him a Public Reception.

Hon. WILLIAM H. SEWARD arrived at the Astor House at 5 o'clock last evening. He is accompanied by Hon. FREDERICK W. SEWARD and wife, and Mr. WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Jr. The venerable statesman and diplomat is in the enjoyment of excellent health and spirits, and looks remarkably well after having journeyed so extensively during the past year. His complaints of being somewhat wearied, and is anxious to get back to the quiet of his Auburn home, with his physicians opinion to be in sound health for his years, notwithstanding the hollow journeys he has made over the icy fields of Alaska and under the browning suns of equatorial MEXICO. His *compagnons de voyage* are also in good health.

At 9 o'clock P. M., the Committee of the Common Council appointed to tender Mr. SEWARD the hospitalities of the City, visited the Astor House in order to carry out the trust imposed on them. The Committee consisted of Aldermen WOLTMAN, MILLER, REILLY, CULKIN and GALVIN, who, having assembled at Room No. 61, awaited the arrival of the honored ex-Premier. He soon entered the room, accompanied by Hon. FREDERICK W. SEWARD and Mr. STETSON, the hospitable host of the Astor, when Alderman WOLTMAN stepped forward and addressed him as follows:

HONORED SIR: I am pleased to inform you that myself and the gentlemen accompanying me represent the Common Council of this City, who, learning of your safe return to your country and your native State, desire to attest their appreciation of you personally, and of the eminent services you have rendered our Republic at a statesman, both in its hour of peril and days of peace. The object of respectfully tendering you this City in your honor, we come to offer you our sincere congratulations upon your safe arrival, and to respectfully tender you, on behalf of the Government and people of this City, its freedom and hospitalities. We trust you will be gracious enough to accept them in the spirit in which they are tendered. It is unnecessary to say that we may be enabled to present to you in a fitting reception and testimonial the evidences of our high regard and esteem for your ennobling character and high distinguished abilities. I will myself do the honor to introduce to you, honored Sir, my colleagues, Aldermen MILLER, REILLY, CULKIN and GALVIN.

After having shaken hands with the gentlemen composing the Committee, Mr. SEWARD very briefly returned his thanks to them and to the Common Council, through them, for the courtesy and kindness of the attention they had manifested towards him, and promised to appoint an early day on which to receive his fellow-citizens of the Metropolis, in accordance with the wishes of the corporate authorities. The Committee then retired.

To-day Hon. WILLIAM H. SEWARD will receive his personal friends at the Astor House (Parlor No. 41,) and at noon the Committee of the Common Council will wait on him to ascertain on what day he may desire the formal reception to be held.

Accidents.

JOHN SHEPHERD, of No. 441 East Sixth-street, had his arm broken yesterday by the upsetting of his wagon, at the corner of Avenue B and Seventh-street. MAX EYSER, of the same house, who was in the wagon with him, was also injured, but not seriously. Both were taken home.

While JAMES MCNAMARA was engaged in blasting yesterday, at Sixty-first-street and Tenth-avenue, he was struck on the side of the head by a piece of rock, which knocked him off the excavation, which took off one of his ears. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

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The special City articles will include one on the FOSSILS IN CENTRAL PARK; Progress of the Work in the Museum; The English Collection; Sketch of Professor HAWKINS, who is superintending the work.

Another about OUR SCHOOL TEACHERS; the Number and the Proportion of Males to Females; their Work and its Compensation; the Routine of School Life; Some of its Pleasures and Some of its Pains;

The military gossip of the week, which interests the members of the National Guard and many others, will include something about the proposed drill park in Harlem;

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MARRIED.

JACKSON—BROOK, On Ocean Grove, Feb. 23, by Rev. William Theodore, of Poughkeepsie, Rev. ALLAN H. JACKSON, U. S. A., to Miss MARY O. BROOK.

BRIGGS—COGSWELL, In Brooklyn, on Tuesday, Feb. 22, by Rev. Mr. Dod, of Glastonbury, N. J., Wm. P. BRIGGS to JENNIE, daughter of Wm. Cogswell, of Chicago, Ill.

DIED.

BOGUE, On Thursday, Feb. 24, of Bright's disease of the kidneys, HIRAM, son of Capt. Hiram C. Bogue, aged 17 years and 12 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of his father, No. 1 Pine-st., Brooklyn, on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 10 o'clock. The remains will be taken to Fresh Ponds for interment.

CARTER, On Thursday, Feb. 24, LEON ASH, wife of J. T. Carter, in the 25th year of her age.

The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral at her late residence, 257 Dean-st., Brooklyn, on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 2 o'clock P. M.

CARTER, On Thursday evening, Feb. 24, 1870, Prince, relict of the late Sawyer Carter, aged 81 years.

The friends of the family, and of her son, Jacob C. and Henry C. Carter, are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her residence, No. 7 Jones-st., on Monday, 28th inst., at 11 o'clock, at her late residence, No. 20 West 26th-st. Her remains will be taken to Woodlawn.

FARNHAM, On Thursday, Feb. 24, after a brief illness, Captain ANDREW J. FARNHAM, in the 60th year of his age.

Friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral at his late residence, No. 372 Jay-st., Brooklyn, at 3 o'clock P. M., on Sunday, the 27th inst., without further invitation.

HERRICK, On Thursday night, Feb. 24, of consumption of the lungs from needle lever, MARGARET, Fort Herrick, daughter of Elias J. and Margaret L. Herrick, aged 19 years.

The funeral will be held on Monday, the 28th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., from the residence of her parents, No. 14 West 24-st.

JAMESON, On Thursday, Feb. 24, at Roscoe-place, Liverpool, England, after a long illness, SOPHIA H., the beloved wife of Daniel James, Esq., and eldest daughter of the late John Hitchcock, Esq., of New-York.

MANSFIELD, On Friday morning, Feb. 25, at his late residence, No. 112 West 14th-st., after a lingering illness, JOHN MANSFIELD, in the 61st year of his age.

Due notice of the funeral will be given in to-morrow's papers.

MORRISON, At Paris, Canada, on Friday, Dec. 10, Rev. WILLIAM T. MORRISON, aged 31 years, eldest son of John Morrison, Esq., of this City.

PAINE, In Washington, D. C., on Thursday, Feb. 24, KATE W. PAINE, aged 21 years, only daughter of Mr. Theodore Paine, of San Francisco.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her uncle, John W. Bleecker, No. 115 East 45th-st., on Monday morning, at 11 o'clock.

SEYMOUR—At Wilton, Delaware County, N. Y., on Feb. 19, Mrs. ANN SEYMOUR, widow of the late William Seymour, of the same place, in the 85th year of her age.

WHITON, At Aiken, S. C., on Friday morning, Feb. 18, Mrs. ELIZABETH FARNHAM, C. WHITON, of the firm of Maury & Whiton, of New-York.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

WILSON—At her residence, No. 51 West 16th-st., on Friday, Feb. 25, after a few days' illness, EMILY, wife of Jame De Witt Wilson, aged 31 years.

For notice of funeral see Sunday's papers.

WADE—On Wednesday, Feb. 23, MARY, wife of the late Alfred C. Wade, in her 80th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral on Saturday, Feb. 26, at 4 o'clock, from the residence of her son-in-law, Cornelius Van Cortlandt, No. 14 West 14th-st.

N. B.—Rev. Jersey papers please copy.

WHITLOCK—In Harlem, on Wednesday, Feb. 23, Mrs. ELIZA WHITLOCK, wife of the late Theodore E. Whitlock, in her 70th year.

The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral from the residence of James C. Whitlock, Avenue A, near 126th-st., on Sunday, the 27th inst., at 11 o'clock.

YOUNG, On Thursday, Feb. 24, ANN, wife of James Young, a native of Inverness, Scotland, in the 60th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral on Sunday, 27th inst., at 1 P. M., from her late residence, Clinton-st., between South and Warren sts., Hudson City, N. J.

MISCELLANEOUS.

note, I was local agent and consequently advised by Mr. Dayton, of the Navy Department, that the material with the performance of the contract and other transactions, and although charged by your contributor with being ignorant of the subject, may be able to refute him to some other reports that will also be new to him.

Your contributor lays a great stress upon the fact that the gun sides of the *Dictator* are not worth the paper they will, and consequently the Admiral of the Navy could never from chief shifting capstan have gone.

The Commission before referred to consisting of an officer of this very kind, by which over all the Navy's guns was marked and sealed, had certain rules to be met, and in the case of the turrets, the rules of injury may therefore be guaranteed against every penny ring or heart proved the Navy's turrets to prevent the injury, and leaving small freedom between the rails of the revolving and turret, so that not any slight distortion of the turret would cause the gun carriages.

It appears that the commission of this intelligent Commission was not defeated, have stated, for the navy, Portsmouth navy, as we find only gun half of it, the other (vertical) half, and the other, in the Navy-Yard, Portsmouth and Kittery, stated that "a new turret or gun not requiring a new ship. The originals had nothing with the turret, gun sides, and the last turret and gun sides, and the last turret, the ringer.

It seems not to have been written the Board of the chief objection of this practical Commission, in paragraphs, the use of a heavy hand around the edge of the turret, and the turret, which, if it, the turret, was likely to come to it if rubbed of the eight inches, or parts of support in the distance, were furnished by the four gun sides, which are [illegible] Board, and the turret, and the turret, and the turret

ROBBING WIDOWS AND ORPHANS

A Defaulting Public Administrator—Judgment Recovered Against his Sureties—Motion to Vacate.

One ROBERT B. BRADFORD was Public Administrator in this City from January, 1862, to some time in the latter part of 1868, when it was discovered that he was a defaulter to the amount of about $97,000. All who know what the official duties of a Public Administrator in New-York are, know that the funds thus unaccounted for belonged mainly to the estates of widows and orphans intrusted to Mr. BRADFORD in his official capacity. From the testimony which was taken immediately after the defalcation was made known to the public, and from what has transpired recently, it appears that Mr. BRADFORD, having in speculation and other ways, squandered the $97,000, the City authorities made a demand upon the sureties of the defaulter, when the latter were unable to respond. His sureties in 1863 and 1864 were Judge JOHN H. McCUNN and ex-Judge WELCOME E. BEEBE; for the year 1866 the sureties were Judge BEEBE and CHAS. E. DEVLIN. The City being liable for the money thus paid over the amount of the defalcation, and then brought an action against the sureties, BEEBE and DEVLIN, on the $10,000 bond which they had given. No claim whatever is made against Judge McCUNN. The property which Mr. BRADFORD left behind him was turned over to Mr. DEVLIN for the purpose of securing him and Judge BEEBE. This property, it is stated, realized about $9,000 upon the sale. The action against the two sureties was postponed from time to time upon the representations of the defendants that the whole matter would be settled. When finally the corporate authorities began to severely press the case, the defendants interposed a demurrer to the complaint, which, after full argument, was overruled, and judgment ordered for the plaintiffs. The defendants appealed to the General Term. The hearing of the appeal was repeatedly postponed upon the same pretence as that which was made in the Court below—namely, that a settlement was about to be made. Judgment having at last been taken and duly entered up against the defendants, a motion was made yesterday before Judge BARNARD, of the Supreme Court, Chambers, by Mr. EDWIN SHAFER, for the defendants, for an order directing that the money, this being a trust fund, the principal and interest, to nearly $12,000, be opened, and that the defendants be allowed to come in and defend the suit by putting in an answer. The latter claim that the judgment is irregular, for the reason that the action, being upon a bond conditioned for the faithful performance of a duty of a public officer, the damages should have been assessed by a Sheriff's jury; also that BRADFORD, the Public Administrator, was in default when the defendants signed the bond; that the default was then well known to the authorities of the City, and that the principal associations the sureties were induced to sign the $10,000 bond.

Mr. O'GORMAN, representing the interests of the City, very earnestly opposed the motion to open the judgment. He claimed that such a defense being wholly without merit, should not be allowed to prevent the fruits of the much-resistent delay, to have any weight whatever in the mind of the Judge at Chambers. He referred to the fact that the sureties had realized nearly the amount of their liability from the sale of Mr. BRADFORD'S horses, carriages and other chattels.

Mr. SHAFER said Mr. DEVLIN had been a father to Mrs. BRADFORD and her children, and had taken her to his own house; that he was ready, and always had been, to pay over the balance unexpended in this manner, but was forbidden to do so by Mr. BRADFORD. The latter, he said, claimed that he intended that the defalcation was known to the City officials before the defendants signed his bond, they were not liable thereon, but that the money belonged to him.

Mr. O'GORMAN, in reply, said he would be glad to keep at least one judgment which had been obtained in favor of the City. He said, the reason that in almost every instance where he had been fortunate enough to secure a judgment for the City, it had afterwards been set aside. If there ever was a case where the decree should not be disturbed, this was one.

Judge BARNARD said he had been on the Bench of this Court over four years, and this was the first time he had ever heard of the City recovering a judgment against any one. He would, he said, grant the motion to open the judgment, and would appoint his friend, WM. C. FARRINGTON, as a referee, to take testimony and report the facts.

Ball on Board of the Alaska.

The event at the Navy Yard yesterday afternoon was a farewell ball under the auspices of the officers of the *Alaska*. The main deck of this fine man-of-war, where the ball took place, was covered over with canvas and beautifully ornamented with flags of all nations, and the officers and their lady friends tripped the light fantastic toe. The music was by the Navy Yard Band. Refreshments were excellent. Twenty distinguished naval officers and citizens were present: Captains Strong and Morton, Commander Blake, Lieutenants Cotsbs and Rowland, Drs. Clark and Letts, Lieutenant Snow, Ensign Wadhams, Lieutenant-Commander Chester, Ensign Brown, Ensign Chipp, Ensign Roosevelt, Engineer King, Engineer Chambers, Paymaster Clark, Paymaster Reynolds, Assistant Paymaster Brennan, Lieutenant-Commander Reade, Mate J. W. Foster.

The *Alaska* will go to Gibbet Island on Monday to take in her ammunition, and will then start on a short cruise to test her machinery, preparatory to going to China with the Admiral's flag. The *Colorado*, from the Brooklyn Navy Yard, and *Benicia*, from Portsmouth, The powerful steam-tug *Pulos*, from Boston, will also accompany the *Alaska* to China, for the purpose of relieving the Asiatic squadron, and to supply the want of a better class of vessels to represent the United States along the coast. The *Alaska* is, in her class afloat, and to show the high esteem in which she is held by the naval officers, we would mention that there have been over 300 applications from officers sent to the Department asking to be ordered to her. The *Alaska* has a Bible class, an idea of her officers, and is styled the "U. S. S. *Alaska* Minstrel Company."

Attempting to Compound a Felony.

On the 23d inst., JAMES McGEERY, a carman, presented an order purporting to have been drawn by E. SIMPSON & Co., of No. 17 Dey-street, for five barrels of Bourbon whisky, valued at $200, at the store of HINDS, DRAKE & Co., No. 77 Pearl-street. The order, being considered genuine, the whisky was delivered to the carman, subsequent to which action the order was discovered to be forgery. McGEERY was arrested and arraigned before Alderman MOORE, at the Tombs, yesterday, when the necessary affidavits were made by SIMSON M. DRAKE and Mr. SURPICE. The prisoner was fully committed for trial, and sent down stairs. Mr. DRAKE then requested that the spoused be brought back and the complaint withdrawn, as he had ascertained that he was to be paid for the stolen whisky. The Magistrate declined to allow any such action, and the complainant left the Court, expressing a determination to have the case settled in some way to his pecuniary reimbursement.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

After two busy days at the Exchange, a decided lull occurred yesterday. A few people collected in the salesroom as usual, and WILLIAM KENNELLY made an unsuccessful attempt to sell two houses in the village of Melrose, Westchester County. The crowd stood listlessly around his stand while he enumerated all the good points of this "fine property," "in an improving neighborhood," "near the canal to the Harlem River," "on the road to the race course," &c., but not a spark of interest could be kindled for the fine property in Melrose, and was obliged to withdraw it without receiving a bid. The announcements for next week indicate a falling off from this week's business in public sales of real estate.

WM. H. RAYNOR has sold four acres of land between One Hundred and Eighty-eighth and One Hundred and Eighty-ninth streets, between Broadway and Fort Washington Heights, for $45,000. Also, one lot, Nos. 2 and 4 Morris-st., Greenwood, with a fine view of the Hudson, for $20,000. Also, three lots on Fifth-avenue, northeast corner sixty-fifth-street, for $97,500. Also, three lots south side One Hundred and Thirty-second-street, 110 feet east of Sixth-avenue, for $9,400 each.

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Catharine-st., No. 19, 27x100.5	$20,000
Catharine-st., No. 2 } Chatham-square, No. 4 }	2,100
Columbia-st., No. 53, ½ part	4,500
Day-st., n. s., 56 ft. w. of Washington-st., h. and l.	2,700
Norfolk-st., w. s., 20 ft. s. of Rivington-st., 20x65	9,000
Ridge-st., e. s., 100 ft. n. of Grand-st., 25x100	8,200
Thompson-st., e. s., No. 134, 20x88	14,750
12th-st., s. s., 126 ft. w. of Avenue A, 25x100.5	8,000
22d-st., n. s., 169 ft. w. of 7th-ave., 25x87.5	6,000
22d-st., n. s., 219 ft. e. of 8th-ave., 25x87.5	6,000
26th-st., s. s., No. 153, 19.10x98.10	10,000
44th-st., n. s., 182.9 ft. e. of 9th-ave., 25x100.5	12,000
45th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 9th-ave., 25x100.5	10,000
45th-st., n. s., 325 ft. e. of 9th-ave., 25x100.5	10,000
45th-st., s. s., 325 ft. e. of 9th-ave., 25x100.5	10,000
52d-st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of 9th-ave., 25x100	7,500
Avenue B, No. 82, 25x75, h. and l.	14,000
2d-av., w. s., 20.4 ft. n. of 55th-st., 19.8x100	12,000
2d-av., No. 242, 16.7x75, h. and l.	17,500
New-av., e. s., 25.5 ft. s. of 42d-st., 25.5x100	8,000
8th-av., w. s., 97.4 ft. n. of 46th-st., 22.8x76	9,000
9th-av., e. s., 97 ft. n. of 46th-st., 24x100, h. and l.	10,000
9th-av., w. s., 49x76, s. s. corner, 24.6x100	8,000

Leases Recorded.

Chambers-st., No. 12, 10 years, per year	2,000
Franklin-st., Nos. 205 and 207, 5 years, per year	2,400
2d-st., No. 108, 5 years, per year	1,000
Avenue B, No. 57, 4 years, per year	1,000
Avenue B, No. 59, 4 years, per year	800
Avenue B, No. 61, 4 years, per year	800
Avenue B, No. 63, 4 years, per year	800
Avenue B, No. 65, 4 years, per year	800

BROOKLYN.

Bedford-st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of Willoughby-st., 16x75	3,000
Bedford-st., n. s., 200 ft. w. of Willoughby-st., 20x100	3,000
Bedford-st., n. s., 240 ft. w. of Willoughby-st., 20x100	3,000
Bedford-st., n. s., 280 ft. w. of Willoughby-st., 20x100	3,000
Bedford-st., n. s., 320 ft. w. of Willoughby-st., 20x100	3,000
Bedford-st., n. s., 360 ft. w. of Willoughby-st., 20x100	3,000
Bedford-st., n. s., 284 ft. w. of Albany-av., 21x100	1,000
Downing-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of Gates-ave., 20x100	10,000
Downing-st., n. s., 124.6 ft. e. of Gates-ave., 21.6x100	10,000
Division-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of Tompkins-ave., 20x100	4,000
Division-st., n. s., 120 ft. e. of Tompkins-ave., 20x100	4,000
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LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

GEORGE HURSEY, aged 23, a native of England, one of the men injured on the 14th inst. by the explosion of a boiler in DECKER & HOOF's factory, in Thirty-third-street, died at a late hour on Thursday night, at his residence, No. 419 West Thirty-seventh-street, from the effects of his hurts. The deceased had made an ante-mortem statement in relation to the disaster, which will be given to the jury on Monday.

At a meeting of the Board of Police held yesterday, all the charges made against Patrolman Jas. S. DYER of the Tenth Precinct, by the several saloon keepers in the Bowery, were decided to be groundless, and the cases were accordingly dismissed. Patrolman Jas. H. RICKARSON of the Forty-first Precinct, for being off post, and PETER TULLY of the Twenty-first Precinct, for drunkenness, patrolling his beat, were dismissed from the Department. Patrolman HUGH MASSEY of the Fourth Precinct, and HENRY WHITE of the Seventieth Precinct, who were under charges, sent in their resignations which were accepted. The Board also dismissed from the Department Patrolman JOHN H. CRAWFORD of the Sixteenth Precinct, who was charged with receiving fee from CHARLES E. DIMOND, as the price of refusing to testify against him on a complaint of passing counterfeit money.

The small force at work on the new Post Office grounds seems to accomplish a good deal of labor from week to week. The excavation is nearly completed, and is worth a visit to the grounds to see. It is immense, and the huge stone basement pillars now set around two-thirds of the distance give the whole work a look of a great undertaking. The work will stop shortly if Congress fails to pass the proposed appropriation of $400,000 very soon.

Is there any shame in our Judiciary? Two days ago one of its members held from the Bench that "it was curious while every one said he was for sale the lawyers seemed to desire to have him hear all their arguments." Yesterday again he held that a lawyer was a "professional friend," a speech which provoked the laughter of the lawyers before him and his own. Is such a joke more humiliating to the Judge or the Bar?

Education for our young men of industry—the men who earn their bread by day and work for an education by night—will receive intelligent support and encouragement from our leading citizens at the meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association Hall. The meeting will be addressed by Governor HOFFMAN, Mayor HALL, WM. M. EVARTS, President LAWRENCE, SAMUEL J. TILDEN, JAS. W. GERARD and JUDGE PEABODY.

The next lecture in the free Cooper Union Course for the people, will be given this evening on "Light and Vision," and especially "How Light is Converted into Thought." by Dr. H. HELMPF, who was formerly Professor at the University of Heidelberg, but is now a resident of this City. The very latest discoveries and views of the most eminent men of science, such as HELMHOLTZ, KIRCHOFF, BUNSEN and others, will be presented and discussed upon.

The French Odd Fellow Lodge Concorde et Sincérité Reunion, of this City, held an invitation masquerade at the Germania Assembly Rooms last night. The costumes were very fine, and the ladies were distinguished by fine toilettes. The officers of the Committee were Messrs. L. KARRAT, President; J. LAMBOT, Vice-President; L. BOURDONNAY, Secretary; L. DUFARQUIER, Treasurer. It was a delightful reunion.

The steamer *Celia* has engaged for London, as part of her cargo, some 300 bales Hops, at 3d. per lb., which is mentioned as being a remarkably low rate of freight, and said to be less by half than hops can be transported for by rail from Albany to New-York, 150 miles.

The postage from this country to Italy has been reduced from fifteen to ten cents per letter; to Greece, via England, a reduction has been made from sixteen cents per one-quarter of an ounce to the same rate per one-half ounce.

To-day the eleventh popular Saturday afternoon concert will take place at the Young Men's Christian Association Building, corner of Twenty-third-street and Fourth-avenue, commencing at 1 o'clock. The entertainment promises to be a pleasant one. Mrs. HOWARD PAUL, contralto; Mr. J. H. WILSON, tenor; Mr. F. L. EMMS, flutist, and Mr. D. FRANK TUELLY, organist, will appear, under the direction of A. R. MORA.

The distribution of semi-annual certificates of the Female Department of the Grammar School No. 30, took place on Thursday, and was accompanied by exercises in calisthenics, dialogues, recitations and singing by the school, the whole reflecting great credit upon their Principal, Miss MARY A. MAGLAY, and her assistants. School officers TRUESDELL, PATTERSON, and SCHAFFER, were present at the exercises, which were presided over by Mr. TRUESDELL, assisted by Mr. PATTERSON. The room was crowded by the parents and friends of the pupils, who exhibited by their children.

There was a great deal of ice in the rivers yesterday. Relay so thickly piled at the Forty-second-street Ferry, North River, that the Weehawken ferry boat was delayed fully one hour on her first trip in the early morning. Towards noon the ice separated and the approach to the shore was easier.

Nearly 150 students of the medical college of Bellevue Hospital were entertained last evening at the Mott Memorial Library by the faculty of New-York in a substantial supper, to which, it need hardly be said, ample justice was done. Among other distinguished persons present were Drs. TAYLOR, MOTT and HAMMOND.

A very able paper by Dr. JOHN VANSANT, of San Francisco, on the "Physiological Action of Magnetism," was read last night by Dr. HAMMOND before the Journal Association of New-York, at the Mott Memorial Building. From experiments made by the author and Dr. HAMMOND such encouraging results have been obtained in treating various neuralgic affections by magnetism as to warrant further and devoted research. A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the learned doctor before adjourning.

The statement that the counsel for REYNOLDS, the murderer of TOWNSEND, is going to use a writ of *de lunatico inquirendo* as a last resort to save him from the gallows, is pronounced untrue by Mr. HOWE.

Professor ADOLPHUS RODEK lectured last evening at Steinway Hall on "The World Before the Deluge." The lecturer traced the formation of the earth from chaos through its several stages, and the appearance of man and the lower order of animals upon the earth. The subject was rendered interesting by one hundred pictorial illustrations, and was frequently applauded.

The Howard Reunion Lodge, No. 75 held their annual ball last evening at Apollo Hall. The managers and different officers of the Association acquitted themselves creditably and the affair passed off very agreeably.

The annual ball of the P. J. Keenan Association came off last evening at Irving Hall. Dancing commenced at 9:30 and was not discontinued until an advanced hour this morning.

JOHN WAGNER, No. 66 Bleecker-street, was brought up at the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, before Judge SCOTT, charged with the robbery of a valuable gold watch and chain from the person of THOMAS D. DALY, No. 240 Canal-street. Mr. DALY testified that on the preceding evening, as he was coming out of the Olympic Theatre, he was surrounded by three or four men, and the prisoner, seizing him by the shoulders, snatched his gold watch and chain and ran off. He quickly pursued him; but when arrested, the prisoner had not the property in his possession, and is supposed to have passed it to his accomplices. The prisoner was committed in default of $1,000 bail.

Mr. JOSEPH SWENARTON, of No. 907 Second-avenue, declares that he, and not Wm. H. RAYMOND, was elected Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Twentieth Assembly District, on Thursday evening.

JOSEPH E. MCNALLY died suddenly yesterday, at No. 178 Delancey-street, of heart disease. PETER MORRIS, a deaf and dumb man, aged 40, died suddenly at No. 22 Division-street, of consumption. WM. HILL, an insane man, died suddenly in the Tombs. Inquests in all these cases were held by Coroner SCHIRMER.

The body of an infant only a few days old was found yesterday in the basement of No. 221 Washington-street. The child evidently perished from the effects of the cold and exposure.

Inspector DILKS, of the Central Police, desires that the public be cautioned against DAVID REES—sometimes calling himself "Brooklyn Cohen"—who is engaged in obtaining small sums of money by various false representations, chiefly from members of the Masonic fraternity.

THOMAS RYAN, a wholesale liquor dealer, against whom evidence has been taken by Assistant District-Attorney PURDY for an alleged violation of the Internal Revenue law, was yesterday held to await the action of the Grand Jury by Commissioner SHIELDS.

The annual dinner of the St. David's Benevolent Society will take place at the Metropolitan Hotel March 1.

At the Yorkville Police Court yesterday, GEORGE W. BREWER was arraigned before Justice BIXBY, on a charge of stealing an overcoat, the property of JOHN C. SWARTZ, of No. 353 East Fifty-third-street, on Wednesday last. The accused admitted his guilt, and stated that he had pawned the coat at the pawn office of J. ASSON, No. 197 Grand-street. He was committed for trial in default of $800.

JOHN MURPHY was charged with stealing a pair of shoes, of the value of $1 25, from the front of CAMERON WELLS' store, at No. 544 Second-avenue, on Thursday evening, and was committed for trial at the Court of Special Sessions by Justice BIXBY.

About 1 o'clock yesterday morning a two-story frame building, situated on the Cypress Hills Plank road, was destroyed by fire. Estimated loss, $4,000.

The first step in the case of the United States ex. RICHARD ROWLAND, E. H. MUNRICK and H. PERRIN was taken yesterday before Commissioner NEWTON. On behalf of the Government Assistant District-Attorney PARKER moved that the mortgage alleged to be fraudulent be produced in Court. The document is at present in the possession of Mr. WHITBECK, the counsel for Messrs. HOWLAND and MUNRICK, and he requested its production. The case stood, accordingly, adjourned till Wednesday, when the point will be argued.

The muscle going out from the Brooklyn Navy Yard seem to have had way all luck lately. A couple of months ago the *Albany*, the same day she left the yard, was run into by a schooner when off the Battery and disabled. The ironclad Monitor, which was leaving this port for Portland, Me., to attend the funeral ceremonies of Gen. GEORGE PEARSON, ran into the tug Boat Morris, which sank and three men were drowned. On Thursday morning the gunboat Yantic left the yard for the West Indies, and on the same evening, when lying at the Battery, was run into by a schooner and considerably damaged.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Fire Underwriters yesterday, it was agreed to postpone the question of rates until the 15th day of March, in order to give the committees appointed by the New-York and National Boards additional time to perfect the details submitted to them and to make a full report. The Special Committee of Conference on the legal-tender decision consists of CHARLES J. MARSH, GEORGE T. HOPE, J. SELDEN, A. ATOR, members of the discussion on the report of the Raid Committee the report was referred to the same Committee.

The funeral of the late Rev. JULIUS H. KRAMER took place yesterday morning from the synagogue in Thirty-fourth-street. The ministers and members of the different Hebrew congregations were present. The services were very impressive.

The members of Company H, Ninth Regiment National Guard, under the genial lead of Captain CHARLES E. SCHIEFFELIN, gave their annual hop last evening at Lyric Hall in Sixth-avenue. The ball was attended by a fashionable assembling of ladies and gentlemen, who keeping the festivities until a late hour. Among those present we noticed Lieutenant-Colonel BLAIRS, now in command of the Ninth, Major SEWARD and other officers of the Regiment, besides several leading officers of the First Division.

Last evening the forms of the *New-Yorker Democrat*, containing its standing advertisements, were stolen from the entry of No. 17 Chambers-street, where they were left to be sent to press, probably by some sneak thief for gold lead. The paper was considerably discommoded by the incident, and had extreme difficulty in filling the pages, two and five lines left vacant. The pecuniary loss is about $300.

Corinthian Lodge No. 442, F. and A. M., gave a pleasant entertainment at its rooms, corner of Eighth-avenue and Eighteenth-street, on Thursday evening. Among the members of the Masonic Fraternity present were Messrs. FILLCALL, W. H. LEACH, DAVIS, CRAMPTON, H. B. BROOS and LIGHTHOLDER. The Eastern Star degree was conferred on several ladies by Worshipful Brother CARTER, of Putnam Lodge.

The report of a sensational paper yesterday to the effect that dissatisfaction existed among several of the United States Assistant District-Attorneys, in consequence of the fact that an increase had been given to the salary of one of their number, is pronounced wholly incorrect. It appears, however, that Judge PIERREPONT is desirous of securing a general increase to the present small salaries which the officials of his office receive.

A fine exhibition was given at Cooper Institute, last evening, in aid of destitute Cuban families. The Juvenile choir of St. Bernard's Church took a prominent part in the exercises.

The Operative Plasterers' Society held a very large meeting at Demilt Hall last night. The eight-hour system is at last abandoned, a motion having been carried by a large vote to suspend that portion of its constitution which prescribes the hours and wages of a day's labor. Many members contended that plenty of work could be had if they were willing to work ten hours, wherefore the motion to suspend the eight-hour rule was so strenuously urged.

Judge BENEDICT was applied to yesterday for a new trial on behalf of ROBERT D. BOGART, who was in December, 1868, charged with defalcation in his capacity of Paymaster's clerk in the Navy Yard, and against whom sentence in absence was delivered. The accused was afterwards arrested, and is now on bail awaiting a hearing on a bill of indictment found against him six months ago. The Judge directed the papers to be got ready and submitted to him for inspection.

PERRY's counsel, Mr. SPENCER, has stated that bail will be forthcoming for his client after the present excited state of public feeling has cooled down, so that the defence adduced for Judge GILDERSLEEVE that he had fixed bail at a sum so high as to be practically unattainable, seems to have been a little premature.

Last evening Mrs. GERTRUDE SIMMONS, of No. 127 Division-street, was seriously burned, together with her infant, which she was nursing at the moment, by the bursting of a kerosene lamp. Both were sent to Bellevue Hospital.

Last evening a party of clerks belonging to the Early Closing Association smashed in the window of PATRICK MCGANN's dry goods store, No. 304 Third-avenue, doing a damage of $800 to property. JAMES O'TOOLE and THOMAS ROBINSON, two of the party, were arrested and locked up in the Twenty-first Precinct Station House. They will be arraigned at the Fifty-seventh-street Police Court this morning.

The man BROWNELL, who was arrested for alleged brutal treatment of his youthful son, was yesterday acquitted, the boy's injuries being found to be the result of accident.

BROOKLYN.

The prisoner KELLY, who was rescued by a party of his friends on Saturday last from the custody of Officer O'HAGGERTY, has been recaptured.

The new building erected for the accommodation of Public School No. 10 was formally opened yesterday afternoon with a variety of musical and elocutionary exercises. The exercises were conducted by the veteran principal, Mr. ROUGER. The school has now an attendance of about 1,100 pupils in its three departments.

Coroner WHITEHILL and a jury had before them yesterday the supposed death by violence of MALACHI MULDOON, a resident of Syracuse, N. Y., who was on a visit to his daughter in Williamsburg, and was brought to her house with a severe cut on his forehead on Monday forenoon. The jury found a verdict of death from congestion of the brain, superinduced by a supposed fall in the street.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

The February term of the County Court and Court of Sessions for Westchester County will be commenced at the old Court House, Bedford, on Monday morning next, before the County Judge and Justices of Sessions.

Mr. A. E. THOMPSON, of Mount Vernon, came very near losing his life yesterday morning. Mr. THOMPSON, after obtaining his morning newspaper at the depot, approached the railroad track to wait for the train, and there stood reading, in ignorance of his danger, when the train came round the curve at its usual speed. Mrs. SLOTE observed his perilous position and called out to him, but her warning was unheeded, and before the train could be stopped Mr. THOMPSON was struck by the corner of the baggage car and seriously injured. He was immediately carried home and surgical aid secured. Dr. H. C. JONES entertains a hope of his recovery.

A call signed by prominent members of the Democratic and Republican parties of West Farms has been issued for a public meeting, to be held at Ritner's Hotel, Tremont, this evening, for the purpose of nominating an independent ticket of candidates for town officers, to be voted for at the approaching election.

The Republicans of Yonkers have made the following nominations for village officers, to be voted for at the approaching charter election: Police Justice—Edward P. Baird; Treasurer—John Keeler; Trustees—First Ward, Joseph L. Priestly; Second Ward, full term, Ebenezer Baldwin; Second Ward, to fill vacancy, Albert Keeler; Third Ward, —— Gibson.

The Democrats of Yonkers have made the following nominations: Police Justice—W. W. Woodworth; Treasurer—George W. Cobb, (present incumbent;) Trustees—First Ward, Enoch McKirdy; Second Ward, Jonathan Vail, full term; Second Ward, F. W. Rau, to fill vacancy; Third Ward, James Berwick.

At 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning, Officer DAVIS, of the Thirty-second Precinct, found the mangled remains of a man lying on the Harlem Railroad track, between Williams and Williamsbridge. He has not positively known how the man came to his death, but it is supposedthe was run over by the Chatham train during the previous night. The remains were subsequently recognized as those of THOMAS PRIOR, of Fordham, where an inquest will be held.

LONG ISLAND.

A party of four rabbit got on an East New-York car about 9 o'clock P. M. yesterday, and on getting a few blocks above the stables were asked for their fares. They at once commenced a disturbance, which the conductor attempted to quiet. One of the party then drew a revolver, which he fired without the shot taking effect. They then jumped off the car.

The new Citizens' Association of Newtown have sent to Albany Mr. J. L. PRESSER, duly accredited, to look after the interests of the taxpayers, and fight the amended Newtown avenue act.

The grocery store of J. V. A. PAINTER, at Flushing, was entered by burglars at an early hour yesterday morning, who took a large amount of money and groceries.

Captain W. R. HARRIS has been reappointed Collector of the Port of Sag Harbor.

H. HOWARD HUNTINGTON, of Southold, has been appointed Assistant Assessor of Internal Revenue of the First District.

The District Convention of the delegates of the various divisions of the Sons of Temperance of Kings County is to be held at the hall of Astoria Division, Astoria, on Thursday, March 3.

JOHN SCHMIDT, the German who assaulted Father MARCO in Newtown one day last week, is recovering from his temporary insanity.

NEW-JERSEY.

A fortnight since the MAYARD appeared at the office of a leading manufactory in Jersey City and represented that his uncle-in-law, GEORGE FRESURE, who had been employed there as cashier and financial manager, had succeeded in embezzling about $10,000. MAYARD stated in effect that this Fleurissure was detected by a device to retaliate injuries which he had suffered.

In the New-Jersey State Supreme Court at Trenton, the application of the New-Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company for a new trial in the case of A. T. COMSTOCK against the corporation had been refused. The same Court has decided that the National Guard must pay the special war bounty roll tax of $5, excepting veterans of the same service. The reversal of the nitroglycerine explosion case involving the decree of the lower Court, and decision in favor of the defendants, the Newark and New-York Railroad, and HAGAGAN & SAGE, contractors.

Considerable excitement was occasioned in Orange on Thursday evening by the burning of the dry goods in Railroad-avenue and the vicinity. A couple of outhouses also caught fire, but it was extinguished before any considerable damage was sustained. The fire was caused by the sparks from a locomotive.

The citizens of Orange have become so indignant at the depredations of burglars there that they have formed themselves into a society called the "Anti-Burglar League," and offer a reward of $500 for the arrest and conviction of the burglars who recently "gutted" the residence of H. A. HARVEY.

JOHN HENNESSY died yesterday in consequence of injuries received from a fall from a coal car near the tunnel, Jersey City.

Rev. W. R. DURYEA, of the Lafayette Reformed Church was, on Thursday evening, presented by his congregation with a purse containing $500, in token of their appreciation of his service.

An attempt was made at an early hour yesterday morning to rob VAN BUSKIRK's express office in Jersey City. The burglars were driven away by the tenants of an adjoining building, whom they had aroused by the noise they made.

A resident of Bergen City was assaulted and robbed of $14 in money, on Communipaw, by highwaymen, on the night before last.

Considerable difficulty exists between the townships of Woodside and Belleville, concerning the features of the bill passed at the last session of the Legislature separating the two townships.

The Rector of St. Barnabas' Church, East Orange, Rev. Dr. McDuffey, has tendered his resignation in consequence of failing health.

The pastor of the Colored M. E. Church of Orange, Rev. Mr. ——, is opposed to the celebration by his people of the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment in a proper manner, but he discountenances promenading and dancing as comprising any part of the programme.

The case of Dr. PETRIE, of Elizabeth, indicted for cleansing canceled revenue stamps, has been postponed till next week. When the case was called at Trenton, Judge FIELD directed the jury to find a verdict of guilty, and would decide whether his guilt was of a moral or technical character. Dr. PETRIE made a statement to the effect that he had been engaged for four years in collecting postage and revenue stamps, and never cold stamps for any purpose, but when they were forming collections. Several witnesses testified that the accused made no secret of his washing stamps.

The Orange hatters have resumed work, with the understanding that a strike may hereafter leave one shop and find employment in another; that apprentices may continue work during a strike, but if the turn out be successful they are to be paid the advanced prices.

Yesterday afternoon, while two boys named FRANK SANDERS and JAMES WOOD were playing with a pistol, the latter, while testing the accuracy of his aim by firing at the former's cap, accidentally lodged the contents in SANDERS's abdomen, wounding him so severely that his life is despaired of.

The Elizabeth papers are advocating the removal of the State capital to that city.

Convention of Irish Societies—Preparations for Celebrating St. Patrick's Day.

The third meeting for 1870 of the Irish Societies, was held last evening at Hibernian Hall in Prince-street, the President, Mr. THOS. KERRIGAN, in the chair. The Committee appointed to wait on the Mayor, reported that his Honor had tendered a request to be permitted to start with the procession from Tenth-street and Second-avenue, and proceed through the several streets named in the line of march, and that the procession would halt for a short time at the east gate of the Park and give him time to reach the receiving point. The matter was laid over till next meeting, when the request of the Mayor will undoubtedly be complied with. Mr. TIMOTHY DARGY, from the Committee appointed to wait on the Police Commissioners, reported that his Committee was received with the greatest courtesy, and the Convention had permission to march through whatever streets they pleased. (Great applause.) A letter was received from the President of the St. Augustine Improvement Society of Morrisania, inclosing a contradiction of Rev. Father KINSELLA that a riot had occurred after the laying of the corner stone of St. Mary and William's Church, as published in a contemporary. The letter was received with applause. Rev. Mr. CHLARY, McGill's pastor, St. Columba's Church, and President ex-officio of the St. Columba Rifles, C. T. A. B. Society, in a stirring speech stated that the delegates approved by him were indorsed by the Society. As one of those delegates, he could, conscientiously, and only to say that he was the true friend of all Irishmen, and was proud to be a member of the Convention. On motion of Mr. P. MCARDLE, a vote of thanks was tendered to the venerable priest for his kindness to the Convention, and the fatherly advice he had always given them. The meeting was then adjourned.

ARMY AND NAVY RECORD.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—A general order from army headquarters announcing that, by the direction of the President, the following-named officers are hereby designated as Arsenals of Construction, exempted from the provisions of paragraph 4, General Orders No. 15, Ordnance Office, from the Adjutant-General's Office, dated Feb. 1, 1870, namely: Watervliet Arsenal, New-York; Watertown Arsenal, Massachusetts; Frankford Arsenal, Pennsylvania; Washington Arsenal, District of Columbia; Allegheny Arsenal, Pennsylvania; St. Louis Arsenal, Missouri; San Antonio Arsenal, Texas; Augusta Arsenal, Georgia; Columbus Arsenal, Ohio; Pensacola Arsenal, Florida. Indian Agent has been issued requiring General officers commanding Military Departments, in addition to other duties, to give special attention to the economical administration of the branches of the service within their respective commands, whether by the staff, and to this end extended special supervision and command of every part of the army within their limits will be exercised. Specially they will see that the staff Department officers charge their stations, the cost for at Government expense of civilian clerks, or other employes with them, to the new station is prohibited, except in the case of officers of the staff, which mission must first be had of the Secretary of War. Assistant-Surgeon C. S. DRUMMY, Brevet Major, is ordered to report to the Commanding General of the Department of Dakota for duty, and Assistant-Surgeon E. WOODBURY, who will report for duty in the Department of Dakota.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Feb. 25—2 P. M.—Consols, 92¾ for money and the account. United States Five-Twenty Bonds, 90¾ for the issue of 1862; 91¾ for the issue of 1865, and 89¾ for the issue of 1867. The Erie Railway Shares, 22¼. Illinois Centrals, 111¼. Atlantic and Great Western, 26¼.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 25—2 P. M.—Cotton quiet and unchanged. Corn, 27s. 6d. Pork, 87s. Lard, 67s. 6d. Bacon, 57s. 6d. Tallow, 47s. 6d. Rosin, 7s. 6d. Spirits Turpentine, 29s. 6d.

LONDON, Feb. 25—4 P. M.—Linseed Oil, £31 10s. Sperm Oil, £90. Spermaceti, £5 5s. Tar, 7s. Pitch, 28s. Rosin, 7s. 6d. Spirits Turpentine, 29s. 6d.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 25—4 P. M.—Cotton dull; Sales, 10,000 bales; Orleans, 9¾d.; Middling Uplands, 9¾d.; Middling Orleans, 9¾d. Breadstuffs quiet. Corn, 27s. 6d. Pork, 87s. Lard, 67s. 6d. Bacon, 57s. 6d. Tallow, 47s. 6d. Rosin, 7s. 6d. Spirits Turpentine, 29s. 6d.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 25—5 P. M.—Cotton dull and nominally unchanged. Corn, 27s. 6d. Pork, 87s. Lard, 67s. 6d. Bacon, 57s. 6d. Tallow, 47s. 6d. Rosin, 7s. 6d. Spirits Turpentine, 29s. 6d.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—EXCHANGE per. FLOUR dull, with limited sales; Spring Extras, $3 [illegible]@$4 50. WHEAT dull and lower; No. 2 Spring, [illegible] cash and seller March; CORN [illegible] cash and seller March. OATS [illegible] cash and seller March. RYE [illegible]. BARLEY [illegible]. PROVISIONS easier for mess pork; [illegible] for prime steam lard. Cattle [illegible]. Hogs [illegible]. Receipts—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; Wheat, 12,000 bushels; Corn, 1,000 bushels; Oats, 3,000 bushels; Barley, 3,000 bushels.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—COTTON dull and prices lower; Middling, [illegible]; receipts to-day, 10 bales; consumers, 150 bales; sales, 300 bales; stock, 1,000 bales. Receipts of the week, 200 bales; consumers, 1,900 bales; total, 2,100 bales; sales, 1,600 bales; stock, 10,500 bales.

GALVESTON, Feb. 25—4 P. M.—COTTON in moderate request; prices firm; Good Ordinary, 19½c.; total receipts of the week, 2,000 bales; exports to Great Britain, 1,600 bales; to the Continent, 400 bales; consumers, 1,000 bales; sales, 4,000 bales; stock, 71,400 bales.

BOSTON, Feb. 26.—COTTON dull and prices lower; Middling, [illegible]; receipts to-day, 10 bales; consumers, 150 bales; sales, 300 bales; stock, 1,000 bales. Receipts of the week, 200 bales; consumers, 1,900 bales; total, 2,100 bales; sales, 1,600 bales; stock, 10,500 bales.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 25.—COTTON dull, and prices nominal; Low Middling, [illegible]; receipts to-day, 102 bales; exports, coastwise, 284 bales; sales, 50 bales; receipts of the week, 4,812 bales; exports, coastwise, 3,422 bales; sales, 50 bales; stock, 1,522 bales.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 25.—COTTON dull; Middling, [illegible]; receipts to-day, 1,177 bales; exports to Great Britain, 26 bales; coastwise, 874 bales; sales, 250 bales; total receipts of the week, 4,621 bales; exports to Great Britain, 2,646 bales; coastwise, 1,975 bales; sales, 1,350 bales; stock on hand, 40,339 bales.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 25.—SPIRITS OF TURPENTINE dull at 34c. Rosin quiet at $1 [illegible] for Strained; naval stores at a few barrels sold at $7. Crude Turpentine in demand; prices at $2 [illegible] for Yellow Dip and Virgin; sales at $2 [illegible]. TAR firm at $2.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Feb. 25.—COTTON dull and unsettled; sales, 300 bales; receipts, 375 bales; Middling, 19c.; sales of the week, 1,364 bales; receipts, 1,877 bales; stock, [illegible] bales.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 25.—COTTON dull and unchanged; Low Middling, 19c. Sales, total receipts of the week, 200 bales; exports, coastwise, 303 bales; sales, 204 bales; stock on hand, 1,302 bales.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 25.—WHEAT and FLOUR dull and unchanged. LEGAL TENDERS, 88½.

CITY POINT, Va., Feb. 25.—Net receipts of the week, 124 bales.

[Advertisement.]

ANOTHER HORSE LEFT.—S. HOLMES, No. 7 Murray-st.—Dear Sir: Your humbugging have seen that we have had visitors at our house who were uninvited. It may not be amiss to lock the stable door even now, for we have another horse left. Please arrange your affairs so that no telegrams will be left in my house. Yours truly, BROOKLYN, Feb. 22, 1870.

[Advertisement.]

PYLE'S O. K. SOAP—Dry and hard, for sale by the bar at the factory, No. 330 Washington-st., and by all first-class grocers.

JAMES PYLE, Manufacturer.

Weather Report.

NEW-YORK, Friday, Feb. 25—6 A. M.

Place.	Wind.	Weather.	Ther.
Halifax	N.	Clear	20
Portland	N. W.	Clear	22
Boston	N. W.	Clear	22
New-York	N. W.	Clear	24
Philadelphia	N. W.	Clear	26
Washington	N. W.	Clear	28
Wilmington, Del	N. W.	Clear	28
Washington	N. W.	Clear	30
Norfolk	N. W.	Clear	34
Pemaquid	N. W.	Clear	34
Charleston	N. W.	Clear	44
Savannah	W.	Clear	46
Augusta, Ga	S. W.	Clear	48
Mobile	S.	Clear	52
Montgomery	S. W.	Clear	52
Louisville	S.	Clear	40
Nashville	S.	Clear	44
New-Orleans	S. W.	Clear	52
Key West	N.	Clear	62
Havana	N.	Clear	70

Movements of Ocean Steamers.

Celtic	Feb. 26	New-York	London.
England	Feb. 26	New-York	Liverpool.
City of Brooklyn	Feb. 26	New-York	Liverpool.
Main	Feb. 26	New-York	Bremen.

Foreign Mails Close at Post Office.

SATURDAY.

For Europe, via Southampton and Bremen, by the *Main*, at 12 M. Supplementary mail for paid letters only, per *Cuba* of Third-street, Hoboken, until 1:30 P. M.

Closing of Domestic Mails.

North, Freightways Way	8 A. M., 3 P. M.
North, through, via Harlem R. R. and New-York Central	8 A. M., 430, 8 P. M.
North Way, via Harlem R. R.	[illegible]
Chatham, four Corners	8 A. M.
East, via New-Haven	8 A. M., 130, 6 P. M.
East, via Stonington	8 A. M., 3 P. M.
East, via Norwich	8 A. M., 3 P. M.
East, via New-Haven Way	8 A. M., 3 P. M.
East, Fall River, rail	8 A. M., 3 P. M.
East, Fall River, boat	8 A. M., 7:30 P. M.
Philadelphia	8 A. M., 4:30 P. M.
West Mail, through to Harrisburg, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Louisville, Indianapolis, Columbus, Chicago, St. Paul, St. Joseph, Salt Lake and Denver	7 A. M., 3:30 P. M.
West Mail, through to Great Bend and Toledo, and by A. & G. Western R. R. to Franklin and Meadville, Penn., &c.	8 A. M., 4:30 P. M.

Steamships Arrived.

THE SUN—Ps steamship *St. Laurent*, from Havre—Mr. De Gast, Mr. Bernard, Mr. Mary and Mr. Eugenie, Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Lamoine and two children and two servants; Mr. and Mrs. Collonia and child, Count and Countess De Fourtalez and two servants, Mr. Berger, Mr. Rose, Mr. Stoebel, Miss Stibbel, Mr. Bayrand, Mr. Sennell, Mr. Pesset, Mr. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmit, four children and nurse; Miss Buchanan, Mr. Schumacher, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Julien, Miss Lyle, Mr. Sampont, Mr. and Mrs. Dubois, Mr. Geraldon, Mr. Pelloni, Mr. Levasseur, Mrs. Schlezer and child, Miss Sotter, Mr. Voit, Mr. Mayer, Mr. de Wassenaer, Mr. Moy, Mr. and Mrs. Saint; Miss Vessot, Mr. Saint and child, Miss Bles, Mrs. Levy, Mr. Hanchi, Mr. Frigermeth, Mr. Hodson, Mr. Head, Mr. and Mrs. Hogarway and servant, Messrs. Goodwin, Mrs. Gottlieb and children, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Zaccomand, Mr. Aragnin, Mr. Bagolin, Mr. Trussman, Mr. Hotsdrick, Mr. and Mrs. Wood, Mr. Turner, Mr. Triest, Mr. Ross, Mr. Hoss, Mr. Schmelzer, Mr. Ochs, Mr. and Mrs. Ryan and servant and nurse, Mr. Mayer, Mr. Eggers, Mrs. Jungmeisel, Mr. Rauer, Mr. Velsiat.

THE SUN—Ps steamship *Rhein*, from Bremen.—Edward Stevell, Hart Sicker, Jul Dreyer, John Wallack, F. Malowsky, Elise Pankhauer, E. F. Sinan and wife, F. Schmitz, F. Schmitz and wife, Celina Goldman, H. Smith, Wm. Gilbert, Emilie Bauer, Mary Christmann, H. Smith, Wm. Gilbert, Emilie Bauer, Mary Christmann, Alex. Sinman, Louis Van Bauman, Jacob Bar, Dan Alexander, Geo. Gobbin, H. Tenker, G. W. Vetting, Chas. Webb, Andrew Grundner.

NEWS PACKAGES FOR THE PRESS.

Captains and owners of vessels arriving at this port are requested to deliver packages addressed to the New-York Associated Press, only to parties exhibiting the written authority of J. W. Simonton, General Agent.

News packages for the *Journal of Commerce*, Times, *Tribune*, *World*, *Sun*, *Express*, *Evening Post*, *Commercial Advertiser*, *Herald*, *Staats Zeitung*, *Herald*, *Democrat*, should also be delivered only to the same parties.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK.....FRIDAY, Feb. 25.

Arrived.

Steamship Vineland, Hoyt, Baltimore; Vesper, Rogers, Galveston and Key West, O. H. Mallory & Co.

Ship Neptune, Sellers, Antwerp, Peabody, Wetmore & Co.; William Tapscott, Beckett, London, L. E. Lorentzen & Co.

Barque Elma, (Nor.,) Eriksen, Copenhagen and Stockholm, Worth, Meyer & Co.; Maria, (Dutch,) Sloey, Rotterdam, Boelen, Bisset & Co.; Palmer A. Wright, Bell, Trinidad, Phelps, Dunbar & Co.; Mary A. Gale, Marsden, Kingston, Phelps, Dunbar & Co.; Mary A. Way, Russell, Havana, Wales, Field & Way; Alonzo Clark, Dyer, Matanzas, Kenny & Parker.

Brig Fairoaks, (Br.,) Brightwood, Cardenas, Henry & Pelletreau.

Schr. Ida Stewart, Birdsall, Charleston, H. L. McCracken & Co.; T. F. Bailey, Little, Baltimore, Van Brunt & Bishop; H. G. Fryer, Lockwood, Baltimore, Horton & Co.; Norman, Dunham, Jacksonville, Phelps, Dunbar & Co.; Steven, New-Orleans, F. Talbot & Co.; E. W. Smith, Taylor, Charleston, R. L. McCready & Co.; Nick Wilkins, Cotton, Newbern, N. C., Thomas, Holmes & Co.; Bertrand, Molier, City Point, J. B. Gager.

Sailed.

Steamships St. Laurent, (Fr.,) Lemaire, Havre, via Brest, Feb. 16, with mules and 30 passengers to Georgie Washington, Hoof starting off on the day we left, leaving the Sunken Rock, Feb. 21, 200 miles from Sandy Hook, heavy N. W. gales; Feb. 22, lat. 42 12, lon. 57 44, on board steamship Belgenland, bound E.; same date, lat. 42 [illegible], lon. 61 [illegible], passed a large quantity of dead fish.

Steamship Charleston, Berry, Charleston, S. C., Feb. 23, with mules and 25 passengers to Henry R. Bergen & Co.

Steamship Arizona, Eldridge, Galveston, Feb. 18, via Key West, with mules, and passengers to C. H. Mallory & Co.

Steamship Alsatia, (Br.,) Brown, Liverpool, Feb. 5, and Queenstown 6th, via Boston 16th, with mules to C. G. Francklyn.

Brig Hope, (of Jersey,) Colenzo, Rio Janeiro 16 ds., with coffee to E. D. Morgan & Co. Crossed the equator Jan. 8, in lon. 27 56, and has been 6 ds. north of Hatteras, with strong N. and E. W. gales.

Schr. Thomas E. Pierce, Doughty, Washington, N. C., 4 ds., with lumber, cotton and naval stores to Thomas, Holmes & Co.

Schr. Hydrangea, Beckett, Elizabethport, for New-Haven.

Schr. Selkirk, Smith, Elizabethport, for New-Haven.

Schr. Pacific, West, Rockland, via New-Haven, with lime to J. R. Brown.

Schr. Pennsylvania, Smith, Elizabethport, for New-Haven.

Schr. R. H. Wilson, Harris, Elizabethport, for Fall River.

Schr. Kate Callaghan, Avery, Elizabethport, for New-Haven.

Schr. Harriet, Crowley, Elizabethport, for Providence.

Schr. Fred. Tyler, Tyrrell, Elizabethport, for Providence.

Schr. Ridgewood, Derrickson, Georgetown, S. C., 10 ds.,